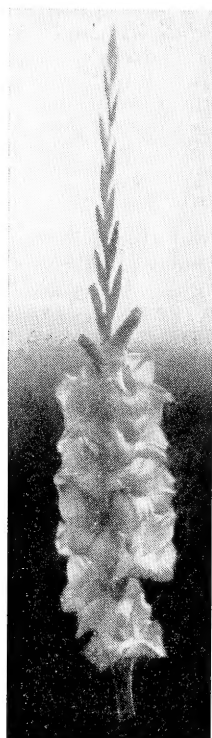
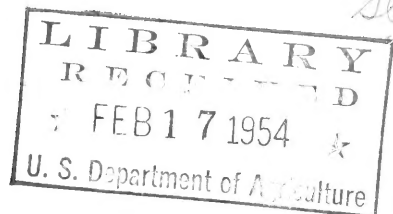


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GLADIOLUS FANCIER'S GUIDE BOOK 1954



including
Ohio State Gladiolus Society
Test Garden Report
of 1953 Gladiolus Trials
(as Successor to Valleevue)

HERBERT O. EVANS -:- SOLON, OHIO

INTRODUCTORY

A GAIN, this booklet is planned for you. It adopts your point of view. It gives you hitherto unpublished facts upon which to base your own conclusions. It is not cluttered up with fictitious values.

This is our 26th annual catalog. A quarter century of effort to help build up the hundred or so gladiolus societies now scattered all over the continent; of effort to be first in U.S. to evaluate, select and catalog for sale as introducer or co-introducer when possible the superior sorts from world-wide sources, often one to three years before other catalogers. Examples: Shirley Temple, Peggy Lou, Greta Garbo, Rosa van Lima, Coutts' Orchid, Big Top, Flying Fortress, Tunia's Mahomet, Tivoli, Strathnaver, Ravel, Carnival, Salman's Glory, Marshal Montgomery, General Eisenhower, Hugh Price, Morning Kiss, World Beater, Circe, Necia, Benjamin Britten, Silcherlied, Prof. Goudriaan, Aristocrat, Menelik, Polynesie, Catherine Beath, New York, Sans Souci, Pennant, Leif Ericsson and Miss Holland, (even the oldest of which are still standing the test of time) not to mention our own introductions of Boldface, Mid-America, Luxury and Polar Cub.

For the last five years we have had daily access to and participation in the judging of thousands of new sorts in the largest gladiolus trial grounds in North America. Equally important, we eliminate quickly and ethically without comment, as do the trial garden reports, the thousand and one other current and proposed offerings which we have come to believe have no promise in the future. We do not think the pocket book of the buying public is the proper trial ground for sorting out the sheep from the goats. It is the duty of the industry at large and we know we are doing our share.

Our bulbs are sound, 100%, are grown in heavy soil, entirely free of fusarium and other diseases and insect pests.

We are generous well beyond the expectation of initial purchasers, with overcount, sample bulbs frequently of sorts in same color chosen, newer or superior or both.

We do not issue a fall list and we do not solicit "pre-catalog" orders. Most of them require later revision because of abandoned varieties and price reductions. We do recommend that you place your order soon after receipt of this Guidebook to avoid, in so far as it is possible, the disappointment of sold out items.

A variety has around thirty different characteristics to consider, relating to form, color, size, height, strength, substance, season, bulb health, propagation, etc. No cataloger can spare the time and space to describe them all, but we can and do report a glad's most interesting features and you may definitely assume, in the absence of specific mention of some undesirable traits, to the best of our knowledge and belief, **the traits or habits not specifically mentioned are above the "satisfactory" level.**

When you note a Commercial "A" rating reported in this Guidebook, you may rest assured that, under normal growing conditions the variety will have a good stem, good flowerhead, passable to superior color, good propagation and no crooks.

We purchase foreign varieties in their year of introduction, as close to their seed stage as possible to obtain healthy stocks before incursion of soil diseases and further hazards of variety mixtures. And often at the each rate, with the result that, without heavy investment, frequently we are first in U. S. with sufficient propagation to list the best items.

A plump bulb of 1¼ inches diameter has plenty food to start production of a show specimen spike. A larger or jumbo bulb will require disbudding of all but the most prominent eye sprout to compel the bulb to put all its effort into the production of the best spike it is capable of producing.

Being already divided, heavy divisions seldom start more than one eye, thus need no further disbudding to hold them to single spike plants.

As orders come in we keep a running inventory of sales vs. stocks, in order to be aware when a size or a variety is sold out. About April 1st we abandon this safeguard because of press of shipping work and preparation for our own plantings. On these late orders it is often difficult to know offhand if an item will hold out to the order number until reached.

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SOCIETY LITERATURE

In the U. S. there are 55 or more state and regional societies. About 35 in Canada.

The New England Gladiolus Society (NEGS) has about 40 affiliations and issues annually 4 magazines of some 70 pages each and a year book of about 220 pages. \$4.00 per year.

The North American Gladiolus Council (NAGC) has about 50 affiliations and issues four Bulletins of about 110 pages each. \$2.00 per year.

The Canadian Gladiolus Society (CGS) has about 35 affiliations and issues a 200 page annual especially valuable for its complete symposium of some 1000 varieties in odd years and a Recent variety symposium of some 6-800 varieties in even years. \$3.00 per year.

The Ohio State Gladiolus Society (OSGS) issues quarterly bulletins including its Test Garden Report (as successor to Valleevue) on gladiolus. \$1.00 per year. The Ohio Society is the only one of about 12 state societies currently issuing regular publications affiliated with all three above.

OSGS with NEGS \$4.25. OSGS with NAGC \$2.50. OSGS with CGS \$3.00. OSGS with NEGS and NAGC \$5.75. OSGS with NEGS and CGS \$6.25. OSGS with NAGC and CGS \$4.50. All four \$7.75, a saving of \$2.25 on the \$10.00 total involved if taken separately.

These various combinations are obtainable only through the Ohio society. Send your combination "subscription" to W. W. Wood, secretary, Rudolph, Ohio making checks or money orders payable to the Ohio State Gladiolus Society.

You also secure regular membership rights.

COLOR CHART

The mounted Fischer Color Chart (108 color blocks) is again available. Send \$2.25 to New England Gladiolus Society, 300 Massachusetts Ave., Boston 15, Mass. We no longer stock them.

CLASSIFICATION INDEX

A booklet of about 24 pages, identifying size, color, originator, year first available via U. S. price lists and num-

ber of days to bloom. About July 1st send 15 cents to North American Gladiolus Council, 820 Ontario St., Havre de Grace, Md. for latest edition.

CULTURAL BOOKLETS

Both the NEGS and the NAGC issue Cultural Booklets. Inquire of their respective secretaries for free copy, the former at Horticultural Hall, Boston 15, Mass. and the latter at 820 Ontario St., Havre de Grace, Md.

TOPS BY COLOR GROUPS

The foregoing symposium tabulation of ratings appears to indicate that the following varieties are the all-purpose tops in their respective colors:

00 Prof. Goudriaan and Flo. Nightingale.
06 Leif Ericsson and Leading Lady.
10-12 Catherine Beath.
16 A. B. Coutts and Hugh Price.
20 Circe.
30 Luxury and Polynesie.
32 Boldface.
36 Sans Souci.
40 Ethereal.
42 Tivoli, Pall Mall, Silcherlied.
44 Necia.
50 Mid-America.
52 Firebrand, Red Charm, Red Pepper.
54 Menelik and Marshall Montgomery.
60 Miss Holland.
62 Rosita.
64 Aristocrat, New York and Hades.
66 Heirloom.
68 Benjamin Britten.
70 King David, Bell Ringer and Aljechin.
76 Gustav Mahler and Ravel.
78 Salman's Sensation, Pf's Sensation.
80 Gray Summit, Tan Glo.
90 Afrika (K&M).

"WHOPPER" SPIKES

The following make stupendous flowerheads with many immense florets open at one time on tall, heavy plants.

	Inches	Inches
516 A. B. Coutts	6	8-8-8-24 60
533 Boldface	5½	10-7-4-21 64
533 Bdwy. Melody	6½	8-10-7-25 70
545 Cotillion	6	10-7-6-23 66
533 Dolly Varden	7	9-7-5-21 66
540 Ethereal	6	8-7-5-20 66
540 Evangeline	6	9-7-6-22 72
511 Golden Flute	7½	7-7-6-20 68
564 Hades	6	8-5-4-17 62
566 Heirloom	6	9-11-6-26 56
530 King Size	7½	10-10-6-26 75
506 Leif Ericsson	6	10-9-6-25 72
530 Luxury	6	9-7-5-21 66
507 Melbourne	7	8-8-6-22 72
554 Menelik	6½	9-7-7-23 68
550 Mid-America	7	10-7-5-22 66
552 Mty. Monarch	6	9-9-7 25 64
524 Queen Juliana	7	8-8-4-20 68
506 Reg. Leahy	6	10-7-5-22 60
563 Rosita	6	10-9-3-22 62
578 Sal's Sensation	7	6-6-6-18 70
517 Sheherezade	6	8-7-5-20 64
500 Strathnaver	6½	10-9-6-25 70
501 Sun Valley	8	8-8-6-22 60
570 The Rajah	6	8-7-6-21 68
582 Tun. Wizard	8½	8-8-6-22 62

GLADIOLUS TRIALS, 1953

OHIO STATE GLADIOLUS SOCIETY

Follows the report of the 11th year of Gladiolus testing under the supervision of Thomas R. Manley, Horticulturist: Four at Morris Park, Fairmount, W. Va., two at Oglebay Park, Wheeling, W. Va., three at Valleevue, Chagrin Falls, Ohio under the sponsorship of Western Reserve University and the Garden Center of Greater Cleveland, providing the necessary land, labor, materials and publication, with the state Gladiolus society providing 14 Gladiolus judges (Mr. Manley, Supervisor), the last two years directly under the sponsorship of the Ohio State Gladiolus Society.

Upon Mr. Manley's move to Burlington, Vt. early in 1952 to assist Elmer Gove (Champlain View Gardens), Western Reserve University found no suitable successor to maintain the trials of Amaryllis, Dahlias, Gladiolus, Hemerocallis, Iris and Tulips, which trials had already become world famous and the testing program seemed destined to expand to Ballarat and Wisley proportions.

Fortunately, the Gladiolus division trials have been continued as stated in 1952-53 by the Ohio society, with the same group of judges, several of whom journey to Burlington, Vt. to study Mr. Manley's planting of 6 or more bulbs of each item being tested. Likewise, Mr. Manley comes to study the duplicate planting of the items at the H. O. Evans farm, Solon, Ohio and the small flowered sorts being grown by James Sebesy, Ohio society president, at nearby Aurora. For four years Mr. Evans has supplied the standing type for the Gladiolus trials reports.

In 1953, weather and precipitation in Vermont seemed ample for reasonably accurate testing, while in Ohio as in many surrounding states long periods of drought with record breaking high temperatures necessitated frequent irrigation. The test plot at the Sebesy home was irrigated by overhead Skinner system. At the Evans farm both overhead and sub-irrigation was used, the latter made possible by gravity flow from the pond into the drain tile system which was installed in manner capable to drain or irrigate. The earlier planting in Vermont produced taller plants with larger bud count in some instances and the later plantings in Ohio with its record breaking temperatures brought to view any traces of susceptibility to wilt, crook and feathering of color. For once there was no soggy weather to test susceptibility to color peeling.

This testing program has had the continuous support of a large part of the world's foremost hybridizers and the English speaking commercial gladiolus catalogers throughout the world seek and obtain the reports directly through society publications or the Evans catalog which has a large library, experiment station, university and foreign circulation without expectation of financial returns.

Those interested in submitting varieties for trial may contact Mr. T. R. Manley, Champlain View Gardens, Burlington, Vt., sending 12 bulbs either to him or to H. O. Evans, Solon, Ohio, whichever location is the more convenient for the sender.

R. E. Kemmerling, Editor
November 17, 1953

GLADIOLUS RATINGS

Data presented in order of listing

1. Name of variety.
2. Name of hybridizer.
3. Year of introduction in North America. If not introduced, the initials N.I. indicate the fact.
4. Color and size classification by North American Gladiolus Council standards.
5. Season of bloom. VE (very early) under 65 days; E (early) 65-75; EM (early mid-season) 75-85; M (mid-season) 85-95; LM (late mid-season) 95-100; L (late) over 100 days.
6. Flowerhead data: first figure represents number of open florets in field; second, buds in color; third, number of green buds; fourth, total buds, maximum bloom from the 6 large and 6 medium bulbs grown.
7. Size of floret in inches.
8. Color value. Poor under 80; Fair 80-85; Good (having only minor color faults) 85-90; Excellent over 90; Perfect 100. A study of comparative ratings in the same color classification gives one a good conception of the value of these color ratings and the high degree of care used in judging color values.
9. Exhibition rating. AA—Superior; A—Excellent; B—Good; C—Fair; and D—Poor. Based on all qualities entering into production of prize winning blooms and giving proper consideration to the proportion of good exhibition bloom obtainable from the quantity grown.

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10. Commercial rating. Indicated AA to D as above. The best Commercial gladiolus, commonly, is the best exhibition gladiolus which also has those characteristics enabling the commercial grower to maintain healthy stocks with easy propagation; one which blooms well from planting stock, has good placement and attachment, produces blooms at desired seasons, has sufficient length and bud count; cuts, keeps, ships and opens easily even though cut in tight bud. And above all it has that high degree of color value which moves the variety easier and at better price than others offered in the same color classification having inferior color value. On occasion, attractive form of floret assists in this respect.
11. A brief color description follows each variety.

BEST GLADIOLUS IN THE TEST GARDENS—1953

NAME	Originator	Yr. Int.	Class	Season	Flowerhead	Size Inch	Color Value	Rating Exh.	Com'l.
Alex. Dumas Medium lavender, deeper brush on cream throat. Orchid toned. Ruffled.	K & M	N.I.	466	M	5-7-5-17	5¼	84	X	B
Alexandria Clean velvety scarlet. Silvery cream line on lip.	Visser	N.I.	436	EM	6-5-7-18	5	88	B	B
All Blotches Buff, suffused rose, prominent deep rose blotches on lips.	Van Voorhis	53	217	E	3-4-8-15	2¾	85	B	X
Allure Medium-deep lavender toned rose, heavily peppered deeper on cream throat. Ruffled.	Secrest	N.I.	563	EM	6-6-6-18	5¾	86	B	X
Attica Correction on '52 report. Larger size, better commercial rating.	K & M	N.I.	331	M	8-6-6-20	4	86	B	B
Beauty Show White, deep reddish pink brush on cream base in throat. Tall.	Salman	N.I.	501	M	8-8-6-22	5½	84	B	B
Bebe Pure white with Wedgewood habits. Wedgewood sport.	Heaton		300		6-6-4-16	4	87	X	B
Benedict J24 XX Ruffled light salmon blending into cream throat.	Benedict	N.I.	530		7-7-3-17	5¾	87	B	B
Blackpool Clean black red. Excellent color value. Tall straight spikes.	Visser	N.I.	454	LM	6-6-7-19	5	87	B	B
Blue Veil Deep blue violet, upper throat lighter, lips deeper, Stepladder.	Salman	N.I.	478	M	7-6-8-21	5	84	B	B
Bordeaux Clean deep bordeaux wine rose. Faint rib line on lips.	Salman	N.I.	464	M	6-8-4-18	5¼	85	B	B
Bow Bells Tall light flesh pink, slight Picardy brush. Very ruffled.	Butt	N.I.	540	E	7-7-6-20	5¾	85	B	B
Brenda Burma type red rose, very deep rose throat. Cream pencil on lips.	Pazderski	N.I.	464	LM	8-8-3-19	5¼	84	B	B
Buff Beauty Buff blending into yellow throat. Long lasting florets on tall plants.	DeBe	N.I.	416	E	9-6-5-20	5¼	85	B	B
Capt. Blood Deep black red that does not fade or burn.	Chase	N.I.	554		8-10-6-24	6	84	B	B
Carmen Corliss Ruffled light coral pink with yellow lip petals.	Roberts	53		EM	6-6-5-17	4½	88	B	X
Coq D'or Deep orange, prominent deeper orange brown throat.	K & M	N.I.	323	E	8-6-4-18	3½	84	B	X
Coral Ace Burma sport. Coral to creamy salmon pink, feathered scarlet. Ruffled.	Bunn	52	532	M	8-8-4-20	5¾	85	B	B
Crystal Orchid Eliz. the Queen sport. Creamy white with purple feather on deeper cream throat. Creases and ruffled edge.	Browne	52	500	EM	8-9-2-19	5¾	86	B	B
Cuba Deep red, almost black red.	Salman	N.I.	452		6-6-6-18	5	85	B	B
Ethereal Clear very light pink. Tall strong plants, many open.	Burns	52	540	M	8-7-5-20	6	90	A	B

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NAME	Originator	Yr. Int.	Class	Season	Flowerhead	Size Inch	Color Value	Rating Exh.	Com'l.
Fairchild Light golden apricot orange. Faint peppering in throat. Tall, well placed spikes, many open.	K & M	N.I.	420	E	9-9-5-23	5	87	B	B
Fairy Tale Brownish red, small creamy darts on deeper brown on lips, Prim. hood up.	Visser	N.I.	290	E	5-6-4-15	2¼	83	B	X
Fata Morgana Very attractive light creamy pink, lips and ribs clean deep cream.	K & M	N.I.	343	E	5-5-5-15	3¾	87	B	B
Fischer 18-48 Tall pale pink, blending into white throat. Ruffled.	C. Fischer	N.I.	440		8-9-4-21	5¼	86	B	B
Fischer 64-48 Pale lavender, slightly feathered deeper, White throat.	C. Fischer	N.I.	466		8-6-10-24	4¾	85	B	B
Floribunda Huge deep pink with many open. Excellent cut flower.	Pruitt	54	540		10-10-2-22	6	87	A	A
Frau Eugene Attractive white with bright black red throat. Strong plants.	E. Fischer	N.I.	301		8-8-3-19	4	87	A	A
Furbelow Medium-deep salmon, clean cream throat. Well ruffled and crimped.	Cassebeer	53	532	LM	6-8-6-20	6	87	B	B
Glad Tidings Clean medium-rose with a few deeper lines and a faint cream dart.	Arenius	52	462	EM	8-8-6-22	6	86	B	B
Hades Very deep rose self. Massive spikes.	Preyde	N.I.	564	M	8-5-4-17	6	87	A	A
Helen of Troy Sport Cream with buffy salmon throat.	Beardmore	N.I.	507	L	5-6-6-17	6	86	B	B
Higgins 540-S Huge buff pink with deep cream throat.	Higgins	N.I.	516		8-6-4-18	6½	84	B	B
Little Doll White with prominent violet throat.	K & M	N.I.	201	E	5-6-7-18	3	87	B	B
Madam Curie Tall deep cream with prominent violet throat.	K & M	N.I.	307		8-4-6-18	3¼	86	A	X
Mission Bells Orchid mauve, deeper to edge and deeper brush and pepper on cream throat. Petals have smooth, glistening hard finish. Sturdy spikes.	Stinson	N.I.	466		6-8-6-20	5	84	X	B
Opera Clean metallic salmon orange, not as deep as tangerine. Prominent, clean yellow throat. Initial bud color gives evidence of ability to open many more when heavier bulbs are grown.	K & M	N.I.	321	M	6-6-6-18	4	89	B	B
Pall Mall Medium pink with faint deeper feather in throat. Florets waved. Has commercial promise.	K & M	54	442	EM	8-8-4-20	5¼	85	B	B
Palmer 45216 Clean lavender with some peppering on lighter throat. Creased cream rib on lips. Almost all buds in color before first opens. Florets ruffled, waved, fluted and needlepoint.	Palmer	N.I.	466	M	8-8-6-22	4½	86	B	B
Pansy Tall deep purple with violet tinge.	Salman	N.I.	370	LM	6-6-6-18	4	84	B	X
Parma Violet Deep violet, deeper scratches on creamy white throat.	Vawter	52	279		5-5-6-16	3	84	A	X
Pictorial Light salmon, scarlet brush on creamy white throat. The white extends on ribs. Heavy plants.	Goddard	53	533	M	5-5-10-20	7	86	B	B
Pigmy Buff with spectacular medium-red throat.	Visser	N.I.	217	M	5-4-5-14	3	85	B	X
Pink Harmony Tall light pink commercial, contrasting creamy white throat.	Tyndall	54	440	EM	8-6-8-22	5	86	A	A
Pirate Chief Very tall, deep lavender, spectacular deep rosy purple blotch on white throat. Formal placement.	Jack	54	569	EM	8-8-4-20	6	85	B	B
Prospector Medium yellow with amber throat, slightly ruffled.	Leffingwell	53	410	M	8-8-7-23	5	88	A	A
Purple Burma Burma type purple self, slight feather.	Fischer	54	470		6-6-6-18	5	86	B	B
Queen Anne White with bright red throat. Formal arrangement.	Johnson	54	401		8-6-4-18	5	86	A	A

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Queen Juliana Tall scarlet orange, slightly deeper in throat.	DeBe	N.I. 524	LM		8-8-4-20	7	84	B B
Red Pepper Clean, brilliant deep red with deeper throat, almost a self. Tall and strong.	K & M	N.I. 452			6-8-4-18	5¼	87	A A
Rhapsody In Blue Clear bright blue violet with deeper violet throat lines forming an irregular blotch.	K & M	N.I. 476			6-6-4-16	4¾	85	B B
Rosalind Well ruffled, light creamy apricot salmon, blending into yellow throat.	Palmer	54 430	M		7-8-4-19	5¼	87	B B
Rosario Tall medium rose with deeper rose throat, excellent color harmony.	C. Fischer	53 463	EM		8-8-4-20	4¾	86	A A
Snowclad 69" tall, clean white with greenish cream throat. Long stems, stately heads.	Harris	53 400	EM		8-8-4-20	5	86	A A
Snowcloud Pure white, with faint violet dust in throat.	Pruitt	52 500	EM		10-8-6-24	6	90	B B
Snowdrift Tall, clean white blending into cream in throat. Very ruffled and creased.	C. Fischer	N.I. 400			8-8-4-20	4½	87	B B
Summit Deep red, deeper red lines on lips and deeper feather to edge.	Pazderski	54 452	M		8-8-4-20	5	84	B L
Sunny Tall coppery red, deeper line on lips.	K & M	N.I.			8-8-4-20	3½	84	B X
Taylor 45462 Creamy white, pepper on deep cream throat. Heavily ruffled and fluted.	Taylor	N.I. 500	EM		8-5-4-17	6½	86	B B
Tony Boy Waxy lacinated rose and white miniature. Tall growth.	Kunderd	52 263			4-5-6-15	2½	84	A X
Vera Light lavender, slight deeper feather to edge. Well ruffled and creased. Many open.	Pazderski	53 466	L		9-6-3-18	5	84	B B
Vivaldi Prim. Deep orange, prominent throat of bronzy dark brown.	K & M	N.I. 325	VE		7-6-3-16	3¼	85	B X
Washington Tall light pink, prominent red brush on yellow throat.	Salman	N.I. 541	M		- - -	6	85	B B
Wembley Pastel finish pure white, very faint violet lines on lips.	Visser	N.I. 400	LM		6-5-6-17	5	89	B B
White Frills Tall pure white self. Ruffled, fluted, creased and needlepoint. Long flowerheads.	Godard	53 400			8-8-6-22	5	87	B A
William Hageman Medium-deep yellow, faint red brush on deeper yellow throat.	Byvoet	N.I. 412			6-6-6-18	5	88	B B

VALLEEVIEW BEAUTIES

The following varieties topped their color classes with 90-up color ratings.

500 Strathnaver 96

312 Catherine Beath 94

420 Boccherini 93

532 Boldface 92

412 Bouton d'Or 92

400 Calvary 92

520 Circe 92

480 Gray Summit 92

416 Hugh Price 92

410 Lodestar and Sequin 92

530 Luxury 92

506 Salman's Glory 92

440 Tivoli 91

566 Attraction 90

470 Dinos 90

310 Gold Chevron and Goldruff 90

466 Lavender Dream 90

554 Marshall Montgomery & Menelik 90

550 Mid-America 90

430 Polynesie 90

OUR SYMPOSIUM TABULATION OF RATINGS BY COLOR GROUPS

The group above the separation star mark are Valleevue or its successor, Ohio State Gladiolus Society Test Garden ratings but they are listed in the order of our personal preference. Below the separation mark are a few which warrant their inclusion for comparison purposes but which were too old for Valleevue-Ohio society testing or in a few cases are recent varieties which have not been offered for testing. The latter carry our own ratings. An effort has been made to limit mention to 6 or 8 per color series, so the ratings are not necessarily complete. Color, Exhibition and Commercial ratings. The hyphens between the ratings are meaningless separations. We have used no plus or minus ratings, such as "B—", etc.

GIANT

500 Series (over 5½ inches)

500 White —

Prof. Goudriaan 90-A-A
Whitecliffe 88-A-A
Strathnaver 96-A-B
Maria Goretti 89-B-B
Morning Kiss 85-A-A
White Goddess 88-A-A
White Symphony 88-A-B

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La Paloma Blance 86-B-A

LARGE

400 Series (4½-5½ incl.)

400 White —

Sierra Snow 87-A-A
Palace 88-A-A
Mother Fischer 88-A-A
White Frills 87-B-A
Wembley 89-B-B
White Wings 86-A-B
Calvary 92-B-A
Silver Court 90-B-B
South Pole 86-B-B

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Florence Nightingale 84-A-AA
Alter Ego 95-B-B
Swing 93-B-B

MEDIUM

300 Series (3½-4¼ incl.)

300 White —

(200) Polar Club 90-A-B
L'Esperance 87-B-B
Albion 87-B-A
Athene 89-A-B

★

Tunia's Snowball 89-A-D

501 White +

Dutch Master 89-A-x
Maureen Gardner 87-A-B
Sun Valley 89-A-x
White Tower 87-A-A

★

Margaret Beaton 88-A-B

401 White +

Queen Anne 86-A-A
Freedom 80-B-B

★

Mt. Index 88-A-B
Quick Step 84-B-B

301 White +

Shot 87-B-X
(201) Little Doll 87-B-B

★

Good Luck 85-B-X

506 Cream

Leif Ericsson 90-A-AA
Salman's Glory 92-AA-A
Annie Amelia 90-A-A
Melbourne 85-B-B
Corona 86-A-B

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Leading Lady 90-AA-A
Reg. Leahy 84-AA-C

406 Cream

Adorable (K & M) 88-A-B
Al. Brailowski (K&M) 88-A-B
Angela Lynn 89-A-A
Helen Eaken 87-B-B
Mary Housley 86-B-B
Cream Orchids 88-B-B

★

Lady Jane 88-A-AA
Grace Moore 86-A-B
Columbia 85-B-B

306 Cream

Ivory Sword 86-x-B

★

510 Light Yellow

Golden Flute 88-A-x
Summertime 87-B-A

Sir Galahad 86-B-C

410 Light Yellow

World Beater 90-A-A
Ruth Lorene 89-A-A
Prospector 88-A-A
Gelber Hercules 86-A-B
Lodestar 92-B-A
Lancelot 87-B-B
Retta Jo 90-B-B
Nugget 88-B-B
Moonglow (Secrest) 88-B-B
Sequin 92-B-B

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Spotlight 85-A-AA
Yellow Triumph 87-B-A

310 Light Yellow

Goldruff 90-B-B
Wunschelrute 85-B-B
Devotion 88-B-B
Prince Carnival 83-B-B
Gene 88-B-A
Gold Chevron 90-B-x

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Mother Kadel 83-B-B

512 Deep Yellow

Golden Favorite 85-B-

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Fort Knox 90-A-?
Garden Gold 85-A-C

412 Deep Yellow

Sundance 89-A-AA
Gold 90-B-A
Meg 88-A-B
Bouton d'Or 92-B-B
Robert Alan 90-A-A
William Hageman 88-B-B

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Spotlight 85-A-AA
Yellow Triumph 87-B-A

312 Deep Yellow

Catherine Beath 94-AA-A
Sky High 90-A-A
Golden Boy 89-A-B
Gold Rush 89-B-B
Pure Gold 90-B-B
Belle Jaune 85-B-B

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Solid 89-A-B
Kolbrie 86-B-B
Golden Goddess 89-A-D

516 Buff

A. B. Coutts 90-A-A
Daybreak 87-A-B

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Helen of Troy 87-A-B

520 Orange

Circe 92-AA-B
Regina 86-B-B
Queen Juliana 84-B-B
Chief Pontiac 86-B-B
Skylark 86-A-x
Sequoia 88-B-B

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Tunia's Delight 91-A-B
Sentimental 87-B-B
Daisy Mae 80-B-B

530 Light Salmon

Luxury 92-A-A
King Size 86-A-B
Showpiece 88-B-B
Gorgeous 83-B-B
Suggestion 85-B-B

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Picardy 89-A-A
Gorgeous Deb 87-A-C
Mrs. E. Both 91-B-C

532 Deep Salmon

Boldface 92-AA-A
Broadway Melody 87-B-A
Dolly Varden 88-A-B
Pictorial 86-B-B
Furbelow 87-B-B
Coral Ace 85-B-B
Chinook 85-B-B

536 Scarlet

Dynamo 88-B-B
Big Joe 88-A-B
Regal Red 87-B-A

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Algonquin 86-A-B

540 Light Pink

Evangeline 86-A-A
Arthur Rank 89-A-A
Ethereal 90-A-B
Sheherezade 82-B-B
Fancy 87-B-B
Heart's Desire 86-B-A

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Stella Antisdale 84-A-B
Big Top 82-A-C

542 Medium Pink

Silcherlied 88-B-B
General Eisenhower 83-A-B
Benares 86-B-B

416 Buff

Hugh Price 92-AA-A
Stralia 91-AA-A
Pactolus 89-A-A
Sun Spot 88-A-A
Quiberon 86-A-B
Buff Beauty 85-B-B
Rialgar 85-B-B
Mazda 87-B-B

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Patrol 84-AA-B
Kawatiri 86-B-C

420 Orange

Boccherini 92-A-B
Fairchild 87-B-B
Volcano 87-B-B
October Sunshine 86-B-B
Mellow Moon 84-B-B

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Marigold 88-B-B
All Glory 85-B-B
Tuts Both 86-B-B
Orange Gold 87-B-C

430 Light Salmon

Polynesie 90-AA-A
Rosalind 87-B-B
Ann Stralia Both 89-B-B
Tunis 86-B-B

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Marlene Both 89-B-B
Victory Queen 87-A-C

432 Deep Salmon

Red Gleam 85-B-B
Susan Kay 87-B-B

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Spitfire 84-A-A

436 Scarlet

Sans Souci 89-A-A
Alexandria 88-B-B
Fire Gleam 84-B-B
Popular 87-B-B
Palette 89-A-B
General Marshall 87-B-x

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Dieppe 88-A-A
Carnival 90-A-B
Pfizer's Century 87-C-A
Red Cherry 82-B-C
Red Wing 83-B-C

440 Light Pink

Pennant 88-A-B
Pink Harmony 86-A-A
Gloriosa 86-B-A
Beauty's Blush 89-B-B
Logica 88-B-B

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Conn. Yankee 87-A-C
Greta Garbo 89-B-A
C. D. Fortnam 85-B-B
Phantom Beauty 82-B-B

442 Medium Pink

Tivoli 91-AA-A
Pall Mall 85-B-B
Boise Belle 86-A-B
Co-Ed 87-B-B

316 Buff**320 Orange**

Opera 89-B-B
Sprite 87-B-B
Vivaldi 85-B-X

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Orange Prince 85-B-C

330 Light Salmon

Attica 86-B-B

332 Deep Salmon

(233) Peter Pan 85-A-X

★

Glorious 85-A-C

336 Scarlet

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Rhett Butler 84-B-B
Mrs. R. McGovern 82-B-C

340 Light Pink

Roseneath 86-B-B
(240) Bo Beep 87-AA-X

★

Sweetheart 83-B-C

342 Medium Pink

Pink Paragon 85-B-C

544 Deep Pink

Cotillion 85-A-A

★

Personality 86-A-B

444 Deep Pink

Necia 87-A-A

Alfred Nobel 85-B-B

★

Spic & Span 80-B-A

344 Deep Pink**550 Light Red**

Mid-America 90-A-A

Dr. Pryor 86-B-B

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Ohio Non Pareil 84-B-C

Red Rascal 84-B-C

450 Light Red

Harry Grant 82-B-B

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Leah Gorman 90-A-B

Poinsettia 89-B-B

Red Prince 88-B-C

350 Light Red

General Patton 87-B-B

552 Deep Red

Harrisburger 88-A-B

Furchtlos und Treu 84-B-B

Redowa 84-B-B

Thos. E. Dewey 87-B-B

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Mighty Monarch 90-A-B

King Click 87-B-C

452 Deep Red

Red Pepper 87-A-A

Insurpassable 84-B-B

Winston Churchill 86-B-B

Jo Wagenaar 86-B-B

Antietam 86-B-B

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Firebrand 93-AA-A

Red Charm 89-AA-AA

352 Deep Red**554 Black Red**

Marshall Montgomery 90-A-A

Meneik 90-A-B

Mrs. R. G. Errey 86-B-C

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Black Cherry 83-B-C

454 Black Red

Blackpool 87-B-B

Maurrie Trevan 84-A-x

Abessinie 89-A-x

Velvet Mantle 88-B-B

Ace of Spades 85-B-x

★

Mansoor 86-B-B

Toekana 86-B-C

354 Black Red

Negus 88-A-B

Ataturk 86-B-x

Binghamton 85-B-x

★

Black Opal 83-B-B

Royal Robes 85-B-B

Oeganda 87-B-D

560 Light Rose

Miss Holland 89-A-A

460 Light Rose

Mallow 84-B-B

Norma 87-B-A

360 Light Rose**562 Medium Rose**

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Rosita 88-A-A

Coutt's Orchid 86-A-B

Oddness 86-B-B

Trail's End 84-B-C

Noweta Rose 86-B-x

462 Medium Rose

Folklore 86-B-B

Glad Tidings 86-B-B

Elmer's Rose 85-B-B

Fan 85-B-B

★

H. R. Hancock 89-B-B

Miss Wisconsin 83-B-B

362 Medium Rose

Brier 88-B-B

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Chamouny 81-B-A

Betty's Choice 83-B-B

564 Deep Rose

Hades 87-A-A

New York 89-AA-A

Burma 83-B-B

Hillcrest 83-B-B

Grand Monarch 83-B-C

Boulogne 83-B-B

464 Deep Rose

Aristocrat 89-A-A

Cherbourg 86-A-B

Bordeau 85-B-B

364 Deep Rose

Caswallown 87-B-B

566 Light Lavender

Attraction (Goddard) 90-A-B

Francesca 87-B-B

Orchid Marvel 87-B-B

Bridal Orchid 85-B-B

Falcon 84-B-B

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Heirloom 87-A-A

Lavender Giant 89-A-B

Eliz. the Queen 83-B-A

Ornament 86-B-B

466 Light Lavender

Tyrone 86-A-A

Palmer 45216 86-B-B

Vera 84-B-B

Mission Bells 84-X-B

Lavender Dream 90-B-B

Crown Jewell 85-B-B

★

Utah 87-B-B

366 Light Lavender

Kittyhawk 86-A-B

Coronet 87-B-x

★

Venus 88-A-B

Wedgewood 88-A-C

568 Deep Lavender

Pirate Chief 85-B-B

Sterling 84-B-x

Parthiena 84-B-x

★

Pretty 86-B-B

468 Deep Lavender

Col. W. C. Atkinson 86-B-B

Mecca 89-B-B

368 Deep Lavender

Benj. Britten 87-A-A

570 Purple

King David 87-A-A
Times Square 84-A-B
Velvet Dream 87-B-B
The Rajah 86-A-B



Margaret Wood 85-B-B

470 Purple

Bell Ringer 84-B-A
Aljechin 83-A-A
Wonder Boy 84-A-B
Bishop's Scepter 86-B-B
Dinos 90-B-B
Royal Scot 84-B-B



Trafalgar 89-A-B
Lancaster 87-A-C

370 Purple

Harriet 87-A-B
Stained Glass 89-A-x



Havelock 86-A-A

576 Light Violet

Florist's Glory 86-B-B
Peacock Eye 86-B-x



Blue Ice 85-A-C

476 Light Violet

Gustav Mahler 87-A-A
Ravel 84-A-A
R. M. Rilke 89-B-B
Rhapsody in Blue 85-B-B
Blue Boy 83-B-x
Nectar 85-B-B



Blue Bonnett 80-B-C

376 Light Violet



Tradition 86-B-B

578 Deep Violet

Salman's Sensation 87-A-A
Prof. Picard 89-B-x



Pfitzer's Sensation 89-A-B

478 Deep Violet

Wedgewood (K & M) 89-B-B



Blue Lagoon 82-B-C

378 Deep Violet

Thous. & 1 Nights 80-B-x



Abu Hassan 86-A-B
(278) Tehama 87-A-C
Kalif van Bagdad 86-B-B

580 Smoky

Tunia's Wizard 84-B-B



Tunia's Mahomet 89-A-B
Flying Fortress 81-B-C

480 Smoky

Tan Glo 88-A-A
Gray Summit 92-A-A
Hi Jinks 88-B-B



Pastel 84-B-C
Voodoo 80-B-C

380 Smoky



Bronze Beauty 88-B-B
Oklahoma 80-B-C

590 Any other color

Afrika (K & M) 85-B-B



Jack Fallu 86-B-B
Tunia's Atomic Burst 84-A-B
Tunia's Elite 84-B-A
R. B. 84-B-C

490 Any other color

Frans Hals 82-B-x



Buckeye Bronze 80-B-C
Artist 80-B-C

390 Any other color



Pinocchio 84-B-B
Vagabond Prince 86-B-C

COLOR AND SIZE CLASSIFICATION

The color separations as adopted by the North American Gladiolus Council in 1946 was last revised in 1952.

This is our 10th year as member of the National Classification Committee. So we brief them here because it will enable you to make judicious use of our method of cataloging varieties in their own color groups where the variety descriptions and prices may be readily compared. Ever since our first catalog in 1929 we have done so and the trend in this direction is increasing.

This brief will also give you a rather complete understanding of any gladiolus show you may visit in the U. S.

SIZES

Giant	500 series	5½ inches and up
Large	400 series	4½ to 5½
Medium	300 series	above 3¼ to 4½
Small	200 series	2½ through 3¼
Miniature	100 series	under 2½

Thus the first digit of the 3 digit number indicates the size range of the floret of the gladiolus in question.

COLOR SEPARATIONS

These are the 2nd and 3rd digits of the 3 digit numbers. The first of these represents the color group. The second denotes the depth of color within the group. If the color is without conspicuous marking this last number will be even. If the color has conspicuous marking the next higher odd number will be used. The color variations refer to the revised Fischer Color Chart.

00 White	00 (without conspicuous marking)	62 Med.	(Nearest R4 trace of V)
	01 (with, etc.)	64 Deep.	(Nearest R3 trace of V)
Cream	06 paler than Y6 and GY6		
10 Yellow	10 Light. (Y5-6)	66 Lav.	66 Light. (VR5-6, RV5-6)
	12 Deep. (Y2-3-4)		68 Deep. (VR3-4, RV3-4)
Buff	16 (0Y6, Y06 and paler)	70 Purple	70 (RV1-2, VR1-2)
20 Orange	20 Light. (05-6, Y05 and paler)	76 Violet	76 Light. (V4-5-6, BV4-5-6)
	22 Deep. (0Y2-3-4, Y03-4, 02-3-4-5)	80 Smoky	80 Containing gray. (Can subdivide)
	24 Red O. (R02-3)		82 (Orange smoky)
30 Salmon	30 Light. (R05-6 and paler)		83 (Salmon smoky)
	32 Deep. (0R5-6, R04)		84 (Pink smoky)
36 Scarlet	36 (0R3-4)		85 (Red smoky)
40 Pink	40 Light. (Paler than R6)		86 (Lavender or rose smoky)
	42 Med. (R6)	90 Any other color. (mostly brown shades)	
	44 Deep. (R5)		
50 Red	50 Light. (R4)		
	52 Deep. (R3)		
	54 Black. (R1-2, 0R1-2)		
60 Rose	60 Light. (Nearest R5-6 trace of V)		

Glad's now readily fall into place. The giant, unmarked white Strathnaver is 500. Boldface 533 being a giant deep salmon and blotched. Kittyhawk 366 being a medium sized lavender, etc.

TERMS OF SALE

Cash with order.

CASH DISCOUNTS. You may have 3, 5 or more bulbs or bulblets at the 10 rate which is 8 times the each rate. (Illustrations: a bulb listed at \$1.00 each is \$8.00 for 10—being 80c each; or \$4.00 for 5 or \$2.40 for 3 bulbs). This is a 20% cash discount. It begins at the purchase of just 3 bulbs of a size and kind. Our offerings are largely new varieties of limited U. S. supply, so current year introductions and current import releases and a limited few other very scarce items are designated "No 10 rate." Bulbs or bulblets quoted at a 100 rate may be taken in amounts of 25 or more at such rate.

DELIVERY prepaid in U. S. after March 15th, the normal beginning hereabouts of safe postal shipments of perishables. Deliveries requested and made before that time may be made by express, transportation charges collect, at our option, governed largely by weather and package size. If so done, stock will be added of value to exceed the express charges.

MINIMUM PURCHASES. In shipping season time is a major problem. To gain time in this rush season some minimum amount items appear in our General List such as 2/.25 (2 for 25¢) or 3/.30 (3 for 30¢), etc.

Our plants are state inspected late in the growing season and our bulbs in storage around April 1st. Further, we examine every bulb at time of putting up order, all of which pays off with sound bulbs, fit to plant "as is".

Replacement or refund purchase price any bulb, root, plant or seed that does not prove true to name or does not arrive in condition herein represented. Bulblet and seed germination are not guaranteed.

No substitutions will be made.

Orders received until planting but subject to stock being unsold. To get proper propagation of new sorts, it does not pay us to hold for further sale bulbs and blts priced only per each beyond May 1st.

BULB DISCOUNTS are discontinued. This not an effort to raise prices. On the contrary, many prices are lowered to adjust. Close to half our customers have disregarded our bulb discounts anyhow, necessitating our time consuming effort to allot them the fair values due them. Moreover, we now have so large a proportion of current year and otherwise limited supply items that the application of our former bulb discounts would be restricted to the few relatively older items.

Order early. Our selling season is very short. Remember we deal in many items in negligible U. S. supply. In some instances we have the only stocks on the continent and late buyers of such items may have to be satisfied with "sold out" information and refund of their cash.

Delivery prepaid to foreign countries in the Postal Union having the usual 14c per pound rate, provided war restrictions of one kind or another does not bar such delivery except that purchases at 100 rate prices should add at rate 50c per 100 for large bulbs and 20c per 100 for medium sized bulbs.

Notice to Canadian Customers

Apply to the Division of Plant Protection, Science Service, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada for permit and mailing label, for bulbs and bulblets. No permit required for seeds.



LEIF ERICSSON

SIZE OF BULB TO BUY

If economy be the aim, do not rely on small bulbs to give wholly satisfactory blooms. The small bulbs will all bloom but medium bulbs almost always give far better than "medium" sized spikes of the given variety. Our descriptions usually indicate whether or not the variety is an exceptionally fine producer of blooms from the smaller sizes.

Commercially, bulbs are graded into 6 sizes. Size 6 is under $\frac{1}{2}$ inch diameter and other sizes range up to every $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, the number 1 bulb being $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch up. Catalogs commonly offer bulbs as L (large) (sizes 1 and 2) ($1\frac{1}{4}$ inch up); M (medium) (sizes 3 and 4) ($\frac{3}{4}$ to $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch); S (small) (sizes 5 and 6) ($\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch) and Blts. (bulblets, the little hard shelled cornels which cling at the roots of the bulb).

The size (bulk) of bulb you purchase determines the amount of food with which you are starting to produce a given spike.



MENELIK

NEWCOMERS TO OUR LIST

Our current year introductions, import releases, items returned to catalog after absence for propagation and other newcomers to our list will now appear where they really belong, filtered into their respective color series but readily identified by use of bold type (such as here used). This provides optimum opportunity to compare characteristics and prices.

GENERAL PRICE LIST

See "Terms of Sale"

NOTE: For key to Series—size and color classifications, see Page 12.

Bulbs and bulblets priced per each. 10 sold at 8 times each rate.

3, 5 or more sold at this rate. Bulblets 25 at 100 rate.

10 Rate does not apply to items priced "NET".

WHITE—00 Series

301 GOOD LUCK (K & M) (our '54 import release) M. Clean cream fading fast to white, spectacular throat of blood red with deeper center lines. Light ruffling at edges. Medium height spikes, 4-inch florets, often 10-12 in green cream bud color before first opens. 6-7-5-18. Our ratings 85-B-X.

Stock very limited.

Net prices, each M .75 S .50 Blts 5/.50.

500 LA PALOMA BLANCA (Pfitzer) (our '54 import release) VE. Clean white but a slight creamy blend into throat. Given normal moisture this variety "goes to town", producing long heads on tall plants. 5½-6-inch florets. 7-6-5-18. We suspect that Pfitzer considers it a worthy successor to their Snow Princess.

Our ratings 86-B-B.

Net prices, each L \$1.25 M .75 S .50 Blts 10/.75.

300 L'ESPERANCE (K & M) (our '54 co-introduction) M. Clean, purest white, cream line on lip petal. Tall foliage, tall 60-inch plants, long step-ladder spikes on strong, straight and wiry stems. Some evidence of a bit of deficiency of attachment but unlikely to be of any material damage to a 300 size glad. 4-4½ inches, 9-6-7-22.

Vv (Valleevue) ratings 87-B-B.

Net prices, each L \$1.00 M .75 Blts 10/.50.

500 MARIA GORETTI (Salman) (our '53 import release) E. This is a giant very pure white, blending into a very slight amount of cream in the throat. Color showing in buds is cream. The 54-inch plants with wiry stems easily support good flowerheads with well placed, wide open, 6-inch florets. Balance

is excellent at 6-6-6-18 and occasionally 20 buds. Good propagator (Holland says fast). Good bud separation and easy access to stem for low cutting.

Further trials in a more normal production year may well improve the commercial rating.

O.S.G.S. (Ohio-Vt.) '52 ratings 89-B-B. Each L .60 M .40 S .20 Blts 10/.50.

400 PALACE (K & M) (our '53 import release) M. Clean, ivory tinted white, very pale yellow in throat. Slightly ruffled. Placement dependably perfect on tall wiry stems carrying long lasting spikes of 7-6-7-20. Grown 4 years, commercial characteristics, including fast propagation, all appear excellent. Vv ratings 88-A-A. Each L .75 M .50 S .25 Blts 10/.75 100 \$5.

200 POLAR CUB (Evans) (our '53 introduction) M. A small glad with strong, tall, wiry stems carrying long heads of 22-30 inches with florets of 2½-3 inches (almost a miniature). Pure unmarked creamy white. Bit ruffled and recurved. Propagation satisfactory. Medium bulbs make 50-inch plants.

As grown by Tom Manley at Valleevue Test Garden, '51, 6 large and 6 medium bulbs performed within the following range: From M bulbs 8-9 open, semi formal, 18 bud average. From L bulbs 9-12 open, double double row formal arrangement (seldom found in small glads), 20 buds on 2, one spike each with 23, 24, 25, 26 buds, the best spike (in field) being a 32-inch flowerhead carrying 12-10-4-26, 3-inch florets. The Vv (Valleevue) rating is 90 color, A exhibition and B commercial.

In '49 at Binghamton, Polar Cub secured an A rating. In '50 at N. W. Ohio (Toledo) the American Home Achievement Medal and at Pa. State

(Grove City) was champion seedling with the top score of 82½. In '51 section champ seedling at Ohio (Chagrin Falls) and Ohio (East Liverpool), latter entry by Tom Manley from M bulb in the test garden. In '52, again entered by Tom Manley, it was section seedling champion at N.E.G.S. (Boston). Also his seedling section champion at Maine.

Partial records for '53 disclose at Ohio State (Cleveland) R.I. section champ and "Miniature Show Champ." At Ohio (Chagrin Falls), 200 sec. champ. At Iowa (Sioux City) small sec. champ. At Iowa (Ames) division champ.

See illustration.

Net prices, each L \$5.00 M \$4.00
S \$3.00 Blts 10/\$5.

500 PROF. GOUDRIAAN (K & M) (our '50 import release.) EM. Clean white blending into light cream in the throat. Now that we have grown many thousands of this variety, we are very sure-footed about its description.

Spikes from large bulbs average 53-55 inches tall making 24-28 inch flowerheads (which are long considering its double row placement). The florets are round and flat, 5½-6 inches, excellently attached, 8 open, 8-7-6-21 buds, their placement so uniformly good it should be described as phenomenal. It is a most vigorous grower and a very fast propagator. We know of no commercial faults, its substance, lasting quality, access to cutting, etc. beyond reproach.

Few growers have enough dependable whites. This is the variety to add and the time is now. An outstanding value.

Has an A rating from the Dominion Experiment Station Test Garden at Ottawa, Ont.

Vv test ratings, 90-A-A.

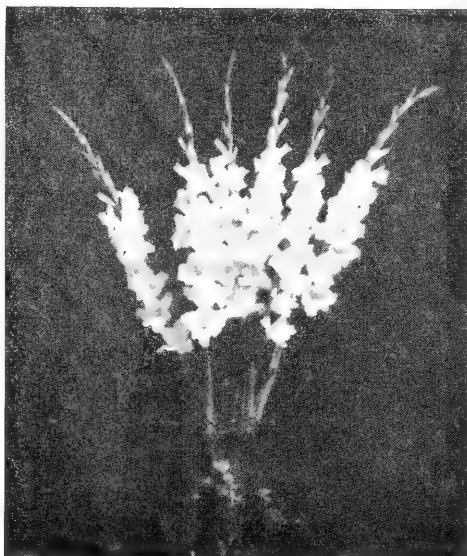
Each L .25 M 2/.30 S 3/.30 Blts (100/\$2.) (Pt. \$15.).

401 QUEEN ANNE (Harold Johnson) (our '54 co-introduction) M. A Salman's Glory x Boldface seedling. White with bright cherry red throat. Formal arrangement of 5 inches flat, wide open blooms on tall spikes. 8-6-4-18. 22 bud spikes at times. Cut in tight bud, opens well. Was one of 6 varieties to win approval in '53 N.A.G.C. trials.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 86-A-A.

NET Prices, Each L or M \$3.

Unit 1 bulb and 10 blts for \$6.



POLAR CUB

500 WHITECLIFFE (Goddard) '49 M. Pure dead white, ⅛th-inch violet line on cream throat. Creased and ruffled. 6-inch florets, long, shapely, formal heads 8-8-7-23 on tall, strong spikes. Very satisfactory habits.

Vv test ratings 88-A-A.

NET Prices, Each L .75 M .50
Blts .10.

CREAM—06 Series

406 ADORABLE (K & M) (our '54 import release) L. Clean sulphur cream blending into a deeper amber creamy throat. Buds have a greenish sheen. Slightly ruffled florets of 5 inches on 25-28 inch heads on very strong stems, 8-8-5-21. Rapid propagator. Very tall, wide foliated plants, very vigorous in growth.

Top cream Holland International, '52. Our 1st, Ohio R.I. show, Aurora, '53. Vv ratings 88-A-B.

NET Prices, Each L \$4 M \$3 S \$2
Blts .40.

406 ALEX. BRAILOWSKI (K & M) (our '54 import release) EM. Greenish cream, paling to light cream. A much lighter cream than Adorable. Bud color green. Plants stand boldly, very straight, making tall, well formed spikes. Fast propagation. Excellent commercial prospect. 5¼ inches, 8-6-4-18.

Vv ratings 88-A-B.

NET Prices, Each L .75 M .50 S .25
Blts (10/.40) (100/\$3.).

506 ANNIE AMELIA (Both '47) '49 M. Clean deep cream, slightly ruffled. Round florets, consistently of inverted type, making a medium tall spike of good outline. Good propagator. Excellent cut flower habits. Six inch florets, 6-6-7-19 buds. Height 50-52 inches.

Vv test ratings, 90-A-A.

Each L .30 M .20 Blts (10/.25) (100/\$2.).

506 LEIF ERICSSON (K & M) (our '52 import release) M. What a beauty we have here! Clean, light sulphur cream blending to a stronger cream on lip petal. The color is outstanding and has the unusual soft suede, pastel finish so admired in Leading Lady, Luxury, Record and Pastel.

A good proportion of the spikes run single lip throughout, a habit most unusual and much to be desired since it maintains true color "balance" in the spike.

Florets are 5-6 inches, slightly ruffled, well recurved, flaring wide open. Their substance was well tested in 3 long rows of bloom by the all-time Ohio high temperature records of '52 without any wilting and no sign of a crook.

Strong, uniformly straight spikes up to six feet tall. 9 or 10 or 11 open florets at eye level right out in the field with about 8-9 more in color and 5-6 green for 20-25 buds. We are still waiting to see the first spike from any size bulb with poor placement. Number 4 bulbs made hundreds of spikes with 6-8 open, with 18-20 buds. To cap the climax we add that it is now a well proven fast propagator, with no faults, exhibition or commercial, that the test garden judges have been able to discover so the commercial rating has been raised to AA accordingly.

Tested 3 years running because of constantly increasing appreciation it has emerged with what approximates a tie with Catherine Beath for the all time Vv-Ohio top rating. Leif Ericsson's 90 A AA may get the nod from the Commercial Growers and Catherine Beath's 94 AA A the nod from the show exhibitors. Each must decide for himself. They are both "tops" for either use.

F.C.C., Haarlem, A.M. by R.H.S. Now taking its share of 1sts, sec. and div. champs across the country. Second day champ Ohio State (Cleveland) '53 and rates the top recent creams, all sizes, both as exh. and com'l. in '53 N.A.G.C. Symposium.

O.S.G.S. (Ohio-Vt.) test ratings 90-A-AA.

See illustration on page 13.

Each L .30 M .20 S .10 Blts (100/\$1.) (Pint \$12.).

506 REG. LEAHY (Both '45). A somewhat greenish cream with a light peppering of purple deep in the throat. The florets are ribbed and ruffled slightly and are round and flat. Formal, exhibition placement, well attached, stems very rigid. Medium tall. For us it is definitely a slow propagator but the spikes it can make causes us to carry on.

We have had numerous spikes with 10 open in the field, 22 buds, one inside opened 14.

Our rating, 84-AA-C. LM.

Supply is very limited.

Each L .30 S 4/.30 Blts 30/.30.

YELLOW—10 Series

312 CATHERINE BEATH (Coutts-Evans '51) LM. Very clean and deep yellow. Color rating 94. Excellent commercial, rated A. Superior exhibition use rating, AA. Like Luxury, Boldface and Mid-America it tops its color class for Valleevue color ratings. Fact is Mr. Manley has rated 1603 recent gladiolus and of them all only two have higher color rating (Strathnaver and Alter Ego).

The florets average 4-4½ inches.

The Canadian Gladiolus Growers Club rated it 83 points in '47 (their overall rating), 86.6 points in '48 and 88 points in '49.

Open spikes in the field stood the 4 successive Ohio record breaking hot days of '52 with no sign of a wilted floret. (So did many other varieties). But, when soggy rains came this variety was one of but few to be unaffected. (We have sold no bloom for about 10 years, allow spikes by the thousands to bloom out to tip before removal so we acquire early knowledge of what a variety can stand in the field.)

So far, with '53 records very incomplete, we have noted 11 section champs, one division champ and two color champs.

Valleevue (Vv) ratings, 94-AA-A.

See illustration, page 17.

Each L .75 M .50 S .50 Blts 5/.25.

512 GARDEN GOLD (Rich-Evans '48)

LM. Six inch florets of golden yellow, slightly deeper in throat. Color is always pure and clean. Lightly ruffled, edges frilled. Tall, long, strong spikes. Propagation medium and supply is small.

Takes its share of firsts in Eastern shows.

Our rating 85-A-C.

Each L .40 M .25 S .10 Blts 100/\$1.

410 GELBER HERCULES (Pfitzer)

'53 LM. Light yellow, shading deeper into throat. Some transparency in petals but they are of good substance. Powerful plants, wiry stems, 72 inches high with 30-inch heads, 23 buds. 8-11-4-23. Often 10-15 buds in color before 1st opens. Easy propagator.

Vv test ratings 86-A-B.

NET Prices, Each M .75 S .50 Blts (3/.30) (10/.75.).

511 GOLDEN FLUTE (Hartman '50) M.

Very light yellow with slight pink cast. Cherry pencil and slight brush on deep yellow lip petal. 7 inches and larger, 7 and more open on flower-heads 25-30 inches on very tall spikes. 18-20 buds.

Five seedling championships, A.M. by S. E. Mich., American Home Medal, Ind. State (shown at 8 inches), 3 grand champions.

Tops recent in its color, '53 N.A.G.C. symposium.

Vv test ratings, 88-A-x.

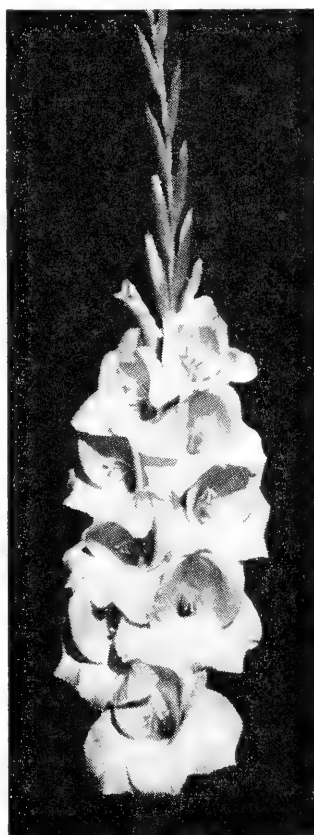
Each L .75 M .50 S .35 Blts (10/.50) (100/\$4.).

310 GOLDRUFF (Palmer) (our '53 co-

introduction) LM. Dainty and beautiful in form. The 3½-4 inch florets appear even smaller because the measurements include the flaring needle-pointed petal tips of the Butterfly winged type blooms. The florets are also well ruffled, creased and of heavy substance.

In color, Goldruff is a warm, clean, medium-light salmony yellow, blending into deep yellow on lip petals. The buds are equally attractive, both in form and color.

A two-year trial by the Canadian G.G.C. won their Gold Medal Award in '50. Trials in Ohio and Vermont by the O.S.G.S. (as successor to Vallee-vue) '52 test gardens produced ratings of 90 for color, B exhibition and B commercial.



CATHERINE BEATH

Attachment, informal placement, bud separation and access to low cutting all very good. Opened 9 florets, 5 more in color, 7 green for 21 total bud count on plants about 46-50 inches. It is a good propagator.

Each L \$2.00 M \$1.25 S .75 Blts. 15.

412 RUTH LORENE (Fuller '52) (our

co-introduction) M. Clear, unmarked medium-deep yellow. Lip petal blends slightly deeper. Thick petals of hard substance. Sport of Spotlight, the throat mark eliminated, the color slightly lighter. Tall spikes at Vv had 10 open, 8 in color on 22 bud spikes. Other traits as Spotlight, including an occasional stamen change-over into a small petal.

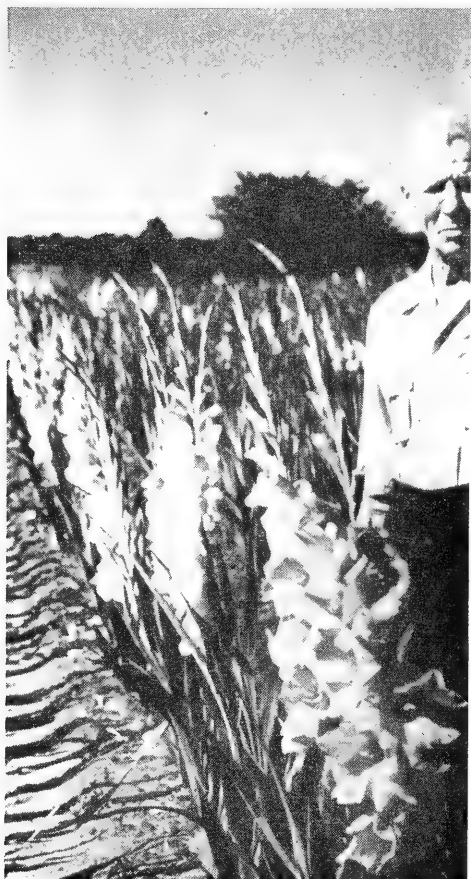
Vv Test Ratings 89-A-A.

Each L .75 M .50 S .25 Blts (5/.25.).

Bulbs and bulblets priced per each. 10 sold at 8 times each rate.

3, 5 or more sold at this 10 rate. Bulblets 25 at 100 rate.

10 Rate does not apply to items priced "NET".



A. B. COUTTS

311 WUNSCHELRUTE (Pfitzer) (our '53 import release). Translated, witch's prospecting water stick.

This variety looks like a 2-300 version of World Beater, both in color and form.

Florets hover between 3-3½ inches (top ¼-inch of 200 range to bottom ¼-inch of 300 range). 8-5-4-17, occasionally better. Very healthy grower and fairly good propagator.

Vv test ratings 85-B-B.

Each L .50 M .35 S .20 Blts 5/.25.

BUFF—16 Series

516 A. B. COUTTS (R. D. Coutts) (Coutts-Evans '53 co-introduction) M-LM. At last we have a good exhibition-commercial glad in the giant buff classification.

This glad, A. B. Coutts, named in memory of his brother, is a huge peachy to apricot buff, blending further into deep yellow in the throat.

Has an overall frosty appearance. Clean, smooth florets are almost entirely of the much desired inverted type (single lip, top petal to rear). The spikes all have long flowerheads with perfect form and placement that seem to be accomplished with geometric precision. The facing and spacing are just never faulty. The bulblet increase is very good even from large bulbs and they germinate 100% with ease, followed by very vigorous growth. In 3 long rows of bloom at Mr. Coutts' home at Barrie, Ontario, (see illustration of Mr. Coutts who stands almost 6 ft. 4 in. alongside a row), the plants had heavy foliage, 30-40 inches, with dozens of spikes, all straight, carrying 8 open florets, 8 in color and 8 buds, 24 total or better. A few ran to 9 open, 26-27 buds. Moreover, spikes cut tight develop perfectly in water and with more experience and another testing we predict a AA commercial rating will follow.

Culminating 3 years of testing by the Canadian Gladiolus Growers Club (G.G.C.), A. B. Coutts received their Gold Medal Award in '51. Trials in Ohio and Vermont by the O.S.G.S. (as successor to Valleevue) '52 test gardens it received the ratings 90 for color, A exhibition and A commercial. Partial '53 reports disclose a grand champ at Empire (Oneida) by Howard Lamb who had but one bulb, with a 60-inch cut spike, 34½-inch head, 6¼-inch floret, 9-8-7-24. Another grand champ at Wash. State (Tacoma).

We regret very much that so many customers were disappointed by refunds last season and our present offering of small bulbs is an effort to prevent a recurrence.

Prices: No Discount. No 10 Rate.

Each, your choice, L, M or S, \$1.00.

416 HUGH PRICE (Both '46) (our '48 import release) LM. The color is thoroughly clean. A bright buff, slightly salmon toned, blending into yellow throat. Florets all but perfectly round, about 4½ inches and larger. To their beauty of color is added beauty of form, being well ruffled and ribbed. Makes grand spikes with 8-10 open in full double row placement.

Florets withstand long soggy periods. One of the 14 varieties to secure a double A (AA-) rating in the Vv-Ohio trials. Only one of these (Catherine Beath) obtained a higher color rating.

Vv test ratings, 92-AA-A.

Each L .20 M 2/.30 S 3/.30.

416 PATROL (Palmer '46) EM. Clear apricot with yellow in throat. Tall spikes of great strength frequently with 10 open and balance in color. Far too many championships to mention. This is one of the varieties whose foliage shows occasional lack of green chlorophyll pigmentation.

In '52 C.G.S. symposium is 11th of "50 best". In NAGC symposium tops the buffs, exh. and com'l.

Seven grand champs noted '52, at Central International (Sioux City), Minn. (Hibbing), Empire (East Aurora), Ill. (Chicago), Western Mass., Empire (Lima) and Nebr.

Our ratings, 84-AA-B.

Each L .15 Blts 100/\$1.

ORANGE—22 Series

(Incl. yellow orange and red orange)

423 BOCCHERINI (K & M '50) (our '51 import release) E. Lively, metallic deep scarlet orange, wide, clean cream dart. Color is a bit more intense than that of Circe, thus taking the lead from Circe as highest color rated orange. Tall spikes, well placed and attached.

Vv test ratings, 93-A-B.

Each M .20 S 2/.25.

524 QUEEN JULIANA (de Bruyn) (our '54 import release) LM. Tall 68-inch scarlet orange, slightly deeper in throat. Wide petalled 7-inch florets 8-8-4-20. "Whopper" spikes of great vigor, long, strong stems. Good propagation.

Ohio-Vt. ratings 84-B-B.

NET Prices, Each L \$1.00 M .75 S .50.

520 REGINA (Palmer) (our '53 co-introduction) EM. Strong, tall, 60-64-inch plants ably support heavy but symmetrical 26-inch flowerheads with 6 open, 6 in color, 6 green for a total of 18 bud count. In Ontario we saw longer flowerheads of 20 buds with 7-8 open. The big, round florets are 5¼-5½ inches flat open, waved and well ruffled and are of very heavy texture, strongly attached and well arranged.

The lively color has real "eye appeal". Buffy, light orange with very mild soft scarlet marks in throat, a very attractive combination.

Two years trial by the Canadian G.G.C. won their Gold Medal Award in '50. Trials in Ohio and Vermont by the O.S.G.S. (as successor to Valleevue) in '52 produced ratings of 86 color, B exhibition and B commercial.

Each L \$2.00 M \$1.25 S .75 Blts .15.

522 TUNIA'S DELIGHT (Both) (our '47 import release) EM. Clear, liquid medium orange of huge size with a perfect blue margin around the edge of every petal. 6-7-inch flat, wide open florets, 7-6-5-18. Strong plants. Fast propagation.

Our test ratings 91-A-B.

Prices L (2/.25) (10/\$1.) M (2/.15) (10/.70) Blts (100/.50).

LIGHT SALMON—30 Series

531 KING SIZE (Hartman) (Gove-Evans '53 co-introduction) LM. This giant of giants is a clear medium-light salmon with a few carmine lines on a rich cream throat. Opens up to 10 or more 6½-8-inch well placed blooms on immense flowerheads 36-40 inches long. The plants from large bulbs consistently run from 6-6¼ feet with up to 26 buds. It has good substance and opens well when cut. It is a good propagator and makes many average size bulblets that germinate well.

Here is a variety that has really gone to town the past few years. It has won 4 Grand Champs, 2 Reserve Champs, 8 Seedling Champs plus numerous other special awards such as longest flowerhead, largest floret, most open, best 3 spike, Award of Merit by Mass. Hort. Soc., etc. In the 1951 N.A.G.C. test garden it obtained 1 AA, 3 A and 1 B. Also A rated at Conn., N. E. G. S. and Binghamton shows.

The Grand Champs were at Ohio (Chagrin Falls) '49, Ohio (East Liverpool) '49, Conn. (Hartford) '52 and Ohio (Worthington) '52. The Reserve Grand Champs were at Central International (East Lansing, Mich.), largest U. S. show of '51 and Ohio (Valleevue) '51.

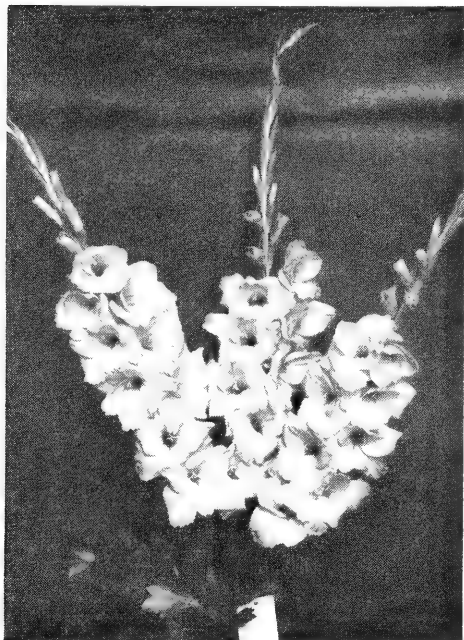
'53 Grand Champ Vt. State (Barrie), also "most open" (13) Ohio State.

All glad fans will want to see how big they can grow King Size and as stocks increase we are sure it will have tremendous popularity.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 86-A-B.

See illustration page 20.

Prices: Each L \$3.00 M \$2.00 S \$1.00 Blts .25.



KING SIZE

530 LUXURY (Evans '51) Giant unmarked light orange pink. Creamy blend on lip petal. Strong habits. Midseason.

Valleevue Test Ratings 92-A-A.

Few words. How much they mean!

Whatever the weather, soggy and wet, hot, cool or dry, the spikes remain straight, no crooks whatever, no flecking or peeling, no wilting, no badly misplaced florets.

Florets flare well, slightly recurved, almost entirely the desired inverted type (single lip, top petal to rear).

Even small bulbs produce substantially full size florets.

All spikes, from whatever size bulb, have beautiful, double row placement with strong attachment.

Luxury is a proven gladiolus of easy propagation, making uniform giant spikes of great beauty with habits to perfection except in one respect. As the season progresses there may be some yellowing of the outer edges of the two lower leaves, a "genetic factor for lack of chlorophyll" (green in plant cells). Not a constitutional breakdown nor a virus discoloration. Many of the best buffs and yellows have similar tendency. This has no effect on its production of perfect spikes for cutting or exhibition and the bulbs fairly glow with perfect health.



LUXURY

The bulblets are large, profusely produced and make very vigorous growth. '49, Seedling Trophy, Binghamton; American Home Achievement Medal, Toledo.

'50, champ seedling Valleevue, several 3 spike seedling champs including one at Ohio State (Cleveland) scoring 91 for N.E.G.S. Silver Medal and Ohio Society A.M., the highest score awarded in many years.

'51, (yr. of intro.) starting many firsts across the country including a 9-7-4-20 Central International (E. Lansing).

Luxury collected 3 As and 6 Bs in the N.A.G.C. test plots.

'52 ILL. NOTEBOOK Tony Koepke said "The spike of the year was one of Luxury."

Luxury still stands top color rated in its classification by the Valleevue-Ohio combination.

See illustration.

Each L .35 M .20 S .10 Blts (10/.25) (100/\$2.).

430 POLYNESIE (K & M '49) (our 1950 import release) LM. Lively pure salmon approaching perfection. Deeper than Picardy. Slight lightening of midribs, a few soft scarlet lines in throat.

8-12 florets, 5¼ inches diameter, slightly ruffled at petal edges, open with ease on long heads of perfect, tapering, championship caliber outline. Cut flower qualities appear perfect.

This is 1 of the 14 varieties to receive the AA rating.

Vv test ratings 90-AA-A.

Each L .15 M 2/.20 S 5/.25 Blts 100/.50.

430 ROSALIND (Palmer) (our '54 co-introduction) M. Well ruffled and fluted, light creamy apricot salmon, blending into yellow throat. 5¼-inch florets of heavy texture on 54-56-inch plants. 7-8-4-19, a ruffled beauty. Silver Medal by Canadian Growers Trials. A.M. by B.G.S. (British).

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 87-B-B.

NET Prices, Each L or M \$3.
(5 for \$12.).

DEEP SALMON—32 Series

533 BOLDFACE (Evans '47) M. Color is brilliant and very attractive. Very deep salmon pink with an almost black red brush on clean white throat, very spectacularly blotched. Ruffled florets that run a bit over 5½ inches. Opens up to 8 in field, 9-11 when cut, 20-21 buds. Plant growth is vigorous and foliage stands 30-36 inches high, height 66 inches. Florets well attached, make uniform, double row placement.

Propagation is good.

Even before dropping into the reasonable price range this spectacular glad has achieved world wide fame and is listed in British and Australian catalogs. Has won the American Home Achievement Medal, three Awards of Merit, 8 grand champs we know of, numberless firsts, section and division champs, topping most all symposiums and ratings for Exh. in deep salmon series.

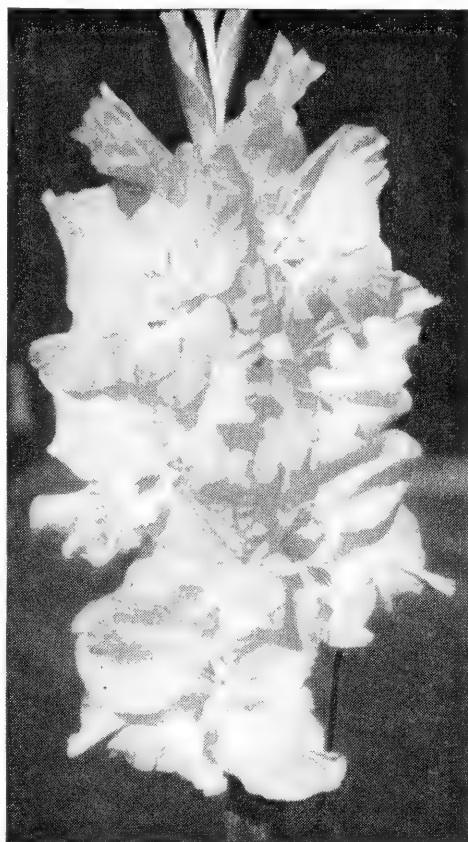
Grown widely for cut flowers and a "sell-out" in L and M sizes for years. We hope our L bulb supply will equal demand.

Vv ratings AA (one of the 14 to date) and 92, top color rating for deep salmon, all sizes. 92-AA-A.

See illustration.

Each L .20 M (2/.25) (10/\$1.)
S (4/.25) (10/.50) Blts (100/\$1.)
(pint/\$10.).

533 BROADWAY MELODY (K & M) (our '52 import release) M. Medium-deep salmon pink with metallic sheen and a slight peppery scratch on a soft creamy yellow throat. Immense, strong plants, very tall, ably supporting "whopper" spikes. Wide petalled florets ranging to 6¼ inches, 7-8 open with still more in color. At Vv best spike in field was 7-10-9-26. Has elegance, fine placement and attachment. Spike from medium bulbs had 20 or fore buds, almost as stupendous as



BOLDFACE

those from large bulbs. Good, healthy propagation.

Vv test ratings 87-B-A.

Each L .60 M .40 Blts (4/.25)
(100/\$5.).

533 DOLLY VARDEN (Harris '50) LM. Huge, deep red salmon, occasionally slightly feathered and etched, large cream throat that extends on ribs. Strong plants, many open. Can make 7 inches, 9 open, 21 buds.

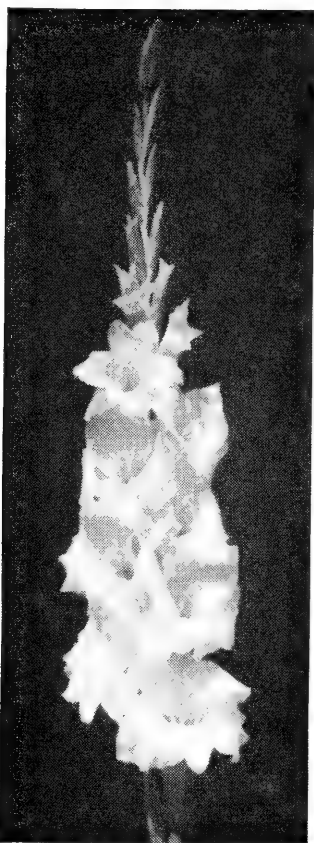
Vv test ratings, 88-A-B.

Each L .35 M .25 S .15 Blts (5/.15)
(100/\$2.).

233 PETER PAN (Butt) '50 E. Deep orange salmon, throat deeper. 3-inch florets. 6-5-5-16.

Vv ratings 85-A-X.

Each M .20 S 2/.25 Blts 15/.25.



ARTHUR RANK

SCARLET—36 Series

436 SANS SOUCI (K & M '51) (our '51 co-introduction) M. Translated, without worry. Very rich glowing scarlet with a narrow creamy white pencil line on lip petal. The color glows with metallic lustre. Florets are 5-5½ inches, of heavy texture.

Strong, tall spikes, 60 inches and more. Placement, attachment, bud separation, access to easy cutting, vigorous, healthy growth, splendid propagation all that can be desired. 8-8-3-19 spikes in the field.

Top rated scarlet. "Without worry" is right.

It has cleared the award hurdles in Holland and England with A. M. and F.C.C. in the former and A.M. by British Glad. Soc. after Wisley trials in '52.

Vv test ratings, 89-A-A.

Each L .25 M .20 Blts 15/.25.

LIGHT PINK—40 Series

540 ARTHUR RANK (Visser) (our '51 import release) E. Light shell pink, faint buff suffusion. Tested a second year at Valleevue in order to give it a Commercial use rating and to ascertain its size in a more normal year. The excellent color is not far from that of the variety Greta Garbo, marketed about 15 years ago, still grown by many because of its beauty. However, the spikes of Arthur Rank stand uniformly straight and strong, their double row placement is so uniformly perfect it may one day be recognized as the "perfect formal spike". Moreover, the florets are larger and 8 open easily in the field, with 6 in well tapered bud color and 4-6 green, blooming about 10-12 days earlier. About 70 days.

See illustration.

Vv test rating, 89-A-A.

Each L .30 M .20.

540 ETHEREAL (Burns) '52 M. Clear light pink in the general color range of Greta Garbo, Arthur Rank and Evangeline. Tall, strong and stately spikes 66 inches, carrying 5½-6-inch florets. Opens eight easily in the field. 8-7-5-20. Habits appear faultless. A stunning variety, beyond doubt.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 90-A-B.

NET Prices, Each L or M or S \$3.00.

540 EVANGELINE (Palmer '48) LM. Very pale, light rose, almost blush white with creamy yellow throat. This is the giant seedling that started its way to fame as seedling and grand champion at the big Cleveland '46 show. Both bulbs and bulblets make powerful growth. Winning its share of prizes everywhere.

Tops light pink series as best exh. variety in NAGC '53 symposium.

Vv test ratings, 86-A-A.

Each L .15 M .10 Blts 100/\$1.

540 FANCY (de Bruyn) (our '54 import release) M. Clean creamy flesh pink, faint Picardy type scratch in throat. In extremely hot weather an occasional floret may show some tiny salmon feathers or splotches near petal edge. 60 inches tall, very stretchy heads on strong, wiry stems. Good propagation. A retest in '53 trials produced bigger spikes with more buds, 8-7-5-20. Ohio-Vt. test ratings 87-B-B.

NET Prices, Each L \$1.00 M .60 Blts 5/.40.

440 PENNANT (Palmer '52) (our '52 co-introduction) M. Clear, unmarked light pink. Very faint yellow tone in throat. No color flecks. No deeper feathering whatever until a very slight amount on blooms in mid-October. Color is beautiful, soft pastel (without glisten), suede finish even more attractive under artificial light. Light green foliage 30 inches high, spikes 54 inches. Had 15 buds in color before first opened. Held 10 open with 7 more in color on 20 bud spikes in very uniformly perfect, double row formal placement. Propagation excellent.

The clean, pastel color, the uniformly strong, straight, well placed spikes give great exhibition and commercial promise to this sister seedling of Evangeline.

Makes large quantities of usable side shoot spikes of 10-15 buds, also with many buds in color that bloom out to the tip.

See illustration of spikes from No. 4 bulbs.

'52 rated 6th best '52 introduction in NAGC symp. Firsts noted Binghamton and Ohio (Worthington), a 9-11-4-24 spike.

Gold Medal Award by Canadian Gladiolus Growers test garden, scoring 90.8 in 1949 and 92 in 1950.

Vv (Valleevue) Test Ratings 88-A-B. Each L .75 M .50 S .25 Blts (5/.20) (100/\$3.).



PENNANT

340 ROSENEATH (Palmer '53) LM.

Light pink with greenish cream throat that turns sulphur yellow as floret ages. Excellent color harmony. Ruffled and fluted 4 1/4-inch florets on strong, straight, formal spikes in good placement and proportion. 8-8-5-21. Fast propagation.

Ohio-Vt test ratings 86-B-B.

Each L \$1.00 M .75 S .50 Blts 5/.25.

541 SHEHEREZADE (K & M) '51 EM.

Slightly mottled buff which pales to creamy pink. Solid strawberry brush on lip petal, slight flecking at times. Big, stretchy, tall flowerheads on strong, heavy plants carrying eight 6-inch florets open, seven in color, 20 buds in field. Healthy and vigorous propagator.

Maker of tremendous plants, "whopper" spikes, 64-70 inches height. The color is unusual, the throat color in excellent harmony, the petals wide and lightly ruffled, the florets flare wide, flat open and have been had well over 7 inches.

In '50 FCC Haarlem.

In '52 FCC by R.H.S. after trial at Wisley Gardens.

Vv ratings 82-B-B.

Prices L 2/.30 M 2/.20 S 5/.25 Blts 100/\$1.

MEDIUM PINK—42 Series

442 PALL MALL (K & M) (our '54 import release) EM. Medium pink with rosy cast and faint deeper feather in throat. A Tivoli seedling with stronger color that has commercial promise. Florets 5 1/4 inches, a bit waved, ribs slightly creased. Powerful plant growth not only from all bulb sizes but also from bulblets. Placement, stem strength, bud separation, access to cutting, etc., appear highly satisfactory and we feel this variety will outpoint both Tivoli and Miss Holland, 8-8-4-20.

Ohio-Vt test ratings 85-B-B.

Our stock is very limited.

NET Prices, Each L \$4.00 M \$3.00 S \$2.50 Blts .50.

443 SILCHERLIED (Pfitzer '50) (our 1950 introduction) E. Song of Silcher, a German composer of about 1600. This is a wonderful color harmony of unflecked, clean la France pink with solid small primula rose mark deep in throat.

The plant specifications ring in harmony also, as its exhibition and commercial qualities are tops. Tall, strong spikes, 60-66 inches high, carrying 18-20 buds capable of opening eight 5-inch, well formed and attached florets even when cut in bud and several more if cut later. Double row placement, early, healthy and excellent propagator.

Grown in quantity subsequent to the Vv '51 ratings, it has become crystal clear that the variety rates a Com'l "A" for its seemingly flawless com'l characteristics.

Vv test rating, 88-B-B.

Each L .30 M .20 S .10 Blts (100/\$1.50) (Pint/\$8.).

DEEP PINK—44 Series

445 ALFRED NOBEL (Salman) (our '54 import release) M. Strong colors. Deep reddish "Azalea" pink with an explosion blotch of cream, extending on ribs. Makes very spectacular, straight spikes with long heads, even from small bulbs. 5-inch florets. Excellent cut habits, fast propagation.

We issued about 1000 sample bulbs last spring and have been swamped with words of praise, especially from cut flower growers. Watch it sweep into favor.

Vv test ratings 85-B-B.

Each L .50 M .25 Blts 10/.25.

445 NECIA (Both '45) (our '49 import release) M. Color is deep rosy pink.

Has a rather prominent cyclamen blotch making it a very pleasing and harmonious color combination. The tall, strong spikes bordering on very tall, show real power and heavy substance. 5¼-inch florets, 7-6-6-19. Good propagator. Excellent commercial habits.

Vv test rating, 87-A-A.

Each L .20 M 2/.25 Blts (100/\$1.).

LIGHT RED—50 Series

451 LEAH GORHAM (Gorham '51) M. Clean, lively, medium-deep red with prominent clean white throat, the white extending along 2 or 3 midribs. The color is outstanding and this variety will be sought by all glad fans who see it. Five-inch florets, long heads with 20 and more buds, tall, strong spikes.

'50 "Approval Award" by NAGC trial gardens.

Our ratings 90-A-B.

Each L .30 M .20 S .15 Blts 100/\$1.

550 MID-AMERICA (Knierim-Evans '47) M. The first variety we have offered, raised by one of our customers from seed offered in our catalog.

Color clear, brilliant light red, unmarked. Mammoth, smooth, round florets around 7 inches diameter and more, well attached on very tall spikes, 26 buds on extra strong stems, as well as extra long flowerheads, 33-36 inch heads being almost an average for large bulb production. Foliage is wide and heavy and tall, even that of bulblets growing 30 inches tall. About a fourth of the bulblets bloom. Even tiny bulbs hardly larger than bulblets, placed 2 inches apart have made many spikes 60-66 inches tall, with foliage 36 inches tall, opening 10 giant florets. It has just about smothered all opposition in the shows.

Every year grand champs, reserve champs, 2nd day champs, section and division champs, best R.I.'s, longest flowerheads, largest floret, etc. too numerous to detail.

Vv test rating, 90-A-A.

Each L .15 M .10 S .05 Blts (100, .50)

450 POINSETTIA (Johnson) '52 M. Clear, lustrous light red, slightly ruffled. Tall well placed 7-7-6-20 spikes, 5-inch florets, with good habits, uniformly dependable and will make a popular cut flower.

In '50 it made the grade required in the N.A.G.C. test gardens.

Our ratings 89-B-B.

Each L .50 M .35 S .25 Blts 10/.25.

Bulbs and bulblets priced per each. 10 sold at 8 times each rate.

3, 5 or more sold at this 10 rate. Bulblets 25 at 100 rate.

10 Rate does not apply to items priced "NET".

DEEP RED—52 Series

253 FROHSINN (Pfitzer) M. Light madder red with conspicuous blood red blotches on lower petals. Butterfly shape florets 3 inches, 8-10 open easily (have had 14). 20 and more buds may be had on shapely, formal heads well supported on slender, wiry stems.

Before '53 we have records of many 1sts and 7 sec. champs, 5 of them ours. Our import arrived on last Holland boat before War II. Holland stocks were destroyed. We have given or sold some from year to year but this is our first listing of the variety, '54. Dominion Exper. Sta. Trials, rated B plus.

Our ratings 87-A-C.

NET Prices, Each M .60 S .40.

552 HARRISBURGER (Mikle) (our '53 co-introduction) VL. Medium red self of great vigor. The petal surface has a velvety plush appearance that brings the color alive. You will surely admire the color even if you are one of the few who place red well down the list of color preference. Long, informal type of flowerheads on tall plants of 60 inches or more. Lightly ruffled 5¼-inch florets here but grown to 6½ inches in Vermont. 7-6-7-20. Plants very strong and healthy. Very late. Five N.A.G.C. '52 trial gardens reporting, Harrisburger collected 1 AA, 3 A and 1 B plus, placing second only to Rosita.

O.S.G.S. '52 test ratings (Ohio and Vermont) 88 color, A exhibition, B commercial.

Each L \$1.50 M \$1.25 S \$1.00 Blts .10.

452 RED PEPPER (K & M) (our '54 import release) M. Clean, brilliant deep red about the color of the red pepper fruit. Throat is slightly deeper, almost a self. Tall and strong with long flowerheads, 5¼-inch florets, 6-8-4-18. Has every evidence of great promise commercially.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 87-A-A.

NET Prices, Each L \$4.00 M \$4.00 S \$3.00.

BLACK RED—54 Series

454 BLACKPOOL (Visser) (our '54 import release) M. Clean black red. Excellent color value. Tall, wiry, straight spikes. 5-inch florets. 6-6-7-19. Very healthy. Substance, bud separation, access to cutting, propagation, etc. very good.

We are very pleased to be able to offer it.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 87-B-B.

NET Prices, Each L \$1.00 M .75 S .50.

554 MENELIK (Salman '50) (our 1950 introduction) LM. Clean black red with rosy tinge blending deeper at base of petals. Blue toned purple line on ribs. Makes stupendous, magnificent long spikes. Medium bulbs make spikes practically as big. The huge florets have thick petals that were undamaged by a protracted soggy, water-soaking period. Propagation is medium, bulbets run small but germinate well.

In spite of medium propagation and somewhat late blooming date, which have held its commercial rating to B, we do not hesitate in declaring our opinion that this is one of the world's best 10 glads.

Watch for it if you do not grow it.

Vv ratings, 90-A-B.

See illustration on page 13.

Each L .75 M .50.

LIGHT ROSE—60 Series

560 MISS HOLLAND (K & M) (our '52 import release) E. Venitian pink, deeper than Tivoli, close to the beautiful but crooked Coryphee so many hybridizers have tried to equal with a straight stem. Has a very faint brush in a slightly creamy throat. Has wide petals with a good flare. Tall foliage, tall spikes, 8 giant florets open easily on 21 bud spikes. The high color, exhibition and commercial use ratings of Vv in '50, were fully corroborated by another testing in '51. Healthy growth and fast propagation.

This is the first consequential improvement on the wonderful Tivoli.

Vv test ratings 89-A-A.

Each M .30 S .20 Blts 10/.25.



ARISTOCRAT

MEDIUM ROSE—62 Series

362 BRIER (Palmer '51) LM. Clear lavender rose. Cream mark in throat. Has a glossy sheen. Plants are medium tall, florets are somewhat ruffled and $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches diameter. Petals are thick and of good substance. Twenty bud spikes with 8 open and 8 in color.

Vv test ratings 88-B-B.

Each L .40 M .30 S .20 Blts
(10/.25) (100/\$2.).

462 FOLKLORE (Butt '49) E. Medium deep rosy lavender, creamy white throat. Color is on the order of Coutts' Orchid but the rose is deeper, the florets smaller but opens more. For two years most of our spikes have opened an average of 8.

Makes very beautiful arrangements.

Vv test ratings 86-B-B.

Each L .25 M .20 S .10 Blts 15/.25.

563 ODDNESS (de Bruyn) (our '54 import release) M. Attractive medium rose with spectacular overblotch of deep rose red on deep cream. Wide open, wide petalled florets $5\frac{3}{4}$ inches, 6-6-6-18 on medium height plants 50-55 inches. Cut in tight bud, opens well in water. Good propagator.

Our ratings 86-B-B.

NET Prices, Each L or M \$1.00
Blts 10/\$1.

563 ROSITA (Woods) '52 M. Color is a medium depth of rose with a cyclamen blotch. The petals are banded with a whitish edging. The florets are wide petalled, immense, round and wide open. Petals are frilled and fluted and of heavy texture. A fast propagator. Our best bloom in the field held 9 open $6\frac{1}{2}$ -7-inch florets, 7 in bud color, 5 green for 21 bud count. Height 60 inches.

Grown in 6 of the 11 N.A.G.C. test gardens, '52, Rosita was the highest rated glad, collecting 2AA, 3A and 1B. If you want the most spectacular "whopper type spike" in the rose classification, this is it.

Our ratings 88-A-A.

Each L \$1.00 M .75 S .50 Blts
10/.50.

DEEP ROSE—64 Series

464 ARISTOCRAT (Salman) (our '50 import release) M. Purplish wine red, paling slightly to an almost blue edge about $\frac{1}{8}$ inch wide. Round, smooth florets, very heavy texture. Attractive color with a minute marbling throughout. Excellent exhibition and cut flower habits. Bulblets up fast and strong.

Florets may be had up to 6 inches and if you could count on that this variety would undoubtedly belong in what we call the "whopper" spike class. Though we have grown many thousands, we have never seen a crooked spike.

See illustration.

Vv test ratings 89-A-A.

Each L .25 M .15.

564 HADES (Preyde) (our '54 introduction) M. Extremely deep rose self. Massive spikes of great power. The rose tone is more noticeable than that in the variety New York. Standing alongside good spikes of 500 size New York, the latter are simply dwarfed. Florets 6 inches up. 8-5-4-17. 62 inches height. We found no noticeable faults in one year of growing. Hades belongs well up in the list of "whopper" spikes.

We have the only stock available to purchase this year and it is very limited.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 87-A-A.

NET Prices, Each L \$3.00.

Bulbs and bulblets priced per each. 10 sold at 8 times each rate.
3, 5 or more sold at this 10 rate. Bulblets 25 at 100 rate.
10 Rate does not apply to items priced "NET".

LT. LAVENDER—66 Series

566 **ATTRACTION** (Goddard '49) M. Clean very light lavender, shading deeper in throat. 6-inch florets, slightly ruffled, needlepoint. 25-inch heads, 8-8-8-24. Medium good propagation. Highest color rated Lavender. '53 grand champion B.C. (Vancouver). Vv test ratings 90-A-B.

Each L .60 M .40 S .25 Blts 5/.25.

466 **VERA** (Pazderski '53) L. Light lavender. Well ruffled and creased. Many open consistently on tall, strong, wiry stems. Substance extra good. 5-inch florets, 9-6-3-18. Has good commercial promise.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 84-B-B.

Each L \$2.00 M \$1.50 S \$1.00
Blts 10/\$1.

DP. LAVENDER—68 Series

568 **PRETTY** (Visser) (our '54 import release) M. Deep orchid lavender, a bit lighter on upper petals, a bit deeper on lip. 6-inch florets, "whopper" flowerheads in good proportion, 8-8-4-20 but medium tall, 54 inches. Good propagator.

Spikes comparable to or larger than those of Sterling and Parthiena and with little or no feathering. "Pretty" is right!

Our ratings 86-B-B.

Stock is very limited.

Each L \$2.50.

PURPLE—70 Series

470 **BELL RINGER** (Butt) (our '54 introduction) LM. Clear velvety blue purple with a creamy line on lip. Petals are of heavy texture, smooth and hard but the 5-inch florets glisten with a velvety sheen. We have grown this Butt seedling since '49, in dry seasons and wet, hot weather and long, soggy, rainy periods.

Nothing appears to harm the sturdy healthy spikes with their excellent stems and we predict wide popularity in the commercial field.

We have here an impressive list of the best purples but note Bell Ringer is the only variety in addition to King David to receive an "A" com'l rating. Height 56 inches. 8-5-8-21. Fast propagation permits the low introductory prices.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 84-B-A.

NET Prices, each L \$1.00 M .75 S .50.
Blts (10/\$1.) (100/\$8.).

470 **BISHOP'S SCEPTER** (Bischofsstab) (Pfitzer) (our '53 import release) E. Clean, very blue toned cyclamen purple, blending to a lighter tint in throat. Small, narrow white dart on deeper red purple on lip petal. Color has a very velvety shine and 14 or more buds may come into color before the first opens. 8-8-6-22. Some ruffling at edges. 4½-5-inch florets. Takes hot sunshine or rainy weather in stride. Tall, wiry spikes, well placed, good healthy grower.

Vv rating 86-B-B.

Supply limited.

Each L \$1.00 M .75 S .50 Blts 5/.50.

570 **KING DAVID** (Carlson) '51 M. Deep purple with a red tone in the throat. A hair line edging around the petals which are ruffled, recurved and needlepoint forming a butterfly type with winged florets. Has made great headway in the short time it has been available, partly because fast propagation has brought many spikes to the shows where it has won numberless first prizes.

Tall, straight spikes of 8-8-8-24 on strong wiry stems recorded in '51 at Valleevue are now frequently equalled.

The '53 N.A.G.C. Symposium rates it the best exhibition and commercial purple.

Vv test ratings 87-A-A

Each L .50 M .35 S .25 Blts 10/.30.

570 **PASSION** (Salman) (our '53 import release) M. Giant velvety purple with some deeper feathering and ruffling at the edges. Petals are wide and entirely edged with a whitish line and the upper throat is lighter tinted. The huge florets are round, flat open, 6-7 inches and can hold 7-7-6-19 buds. Height about 54-56 inches. If slightly taller it would be in our list of "whopper" spikes. As grown here several years, medium propagation appears to be all we can say against it.

Each M .35.

470 **ROYAL SCOT** (Taylor '52) EM. A medium purple but deeper than color series 68, faint hair line edge. Lively color. 4¾-inch florets. 8-8-4-20. Formal.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 84-B-B.

Each L .75 M .50 S .35 Blts
(5/.25) (100/\$4.).

570 TIMES SQUARE (Butt) (our '54 co-introduction) VE. Medium light purple, with frosty appearance and hair line edge. Flaring, needlepoint florets about 5½-6 inches. Have had 6½ inches. Long stepladder heads up to 30 inches. Straight, stiff and tall 57 inches. 6-6-6-18. Excellent habits and extra good spikes from smaller sized bulbs.

Silver Medal, Canadian Glad. Growers' Trials.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 84-A-B.

NET Prices, Each L or M or S \$3.00.
5 for \$12.

470 TRAFALGAR (Klein) '52 LM. A sister seedling of Heirloom. A bit taller. A lively, reddish purple, heavily ruffled. 55-60 inches tall, up to 30-inch flowerheads, best grown here 8-8-6-22 with 5-inch blooms. Color value 89. All exhibition and commercial aspects appear sound. In 2 years no burning, fading or scald.

Grown in 6 of the 11 N.A.G.C. test gardens '52 it collected 4 As, 1 B plus, 1 B (third highest).

Vv test ratings, 89-B-B.

Each L \$1.00 M .75 S .50 Blts 5/.25.

570 VELVET DREAM (Salman) (our '50 import release) M. Velvety brownish garnet, a deep shade of violet-red purple. Silvery hair line edging. This is a real giant having 26-28 inch flower heads with 6-7 wide open, flat, round florets on long wiry stems of the Harmau and Mansoer type. Attachment is extraordinary, considering its size.

6-7 inches florets, 6-5-5-16. Have seen 7½ inches.

Vv test ratings, 87-B-B.

Each L .25 M .15 Blts 10/.25.

470 WONDER BOY (Tyndall) '52 EM. Deep blue toned purple with a rich, velvety sheen, feathered lighter toward edges of the 3 outer petals. Big, round, slightly ruffled 5-5½-inch florets, well placed on long flowerheads 8-7-5-20. Height about 55 inches. Propagation very satisfactory.

O. S. G. S. (Ohio-Vt.) test ratings 84-A-B.

Each L \$1.50 M \$1.00 S .50 Blts .10.

LIGHT VIOLET—76 Series

476 GUSTAV MAHLER (K & M) '54 E. Medium blue violet. Small throat mark somewhat deeper ending in a narrow white point. Medium tall 52-inch plants, 5-inch florets, 6-6-7-19. Good propagation, seldom found among the blues.

Ohio-Vt. test ratings 87-A-A.

NET Prices, Each M \$1.00 S .75
Blts 5/.50.

377 TRADITION (K & M) (our '53 import release) M. Medium-light blue violet blending a little lighter in upper throat and deep blue violet marks on lip petals. 4-4½-inch smooth florets with good flare and well attached on tall spikes with long flowerheads, 6-6-6-18. Stems are wiry and straight. Healthy grower, good cut habits and propagation, traits not very common among the "blues".

A.M. both Haarlem and R.H.S. after Wisley trials.

Our ratings 86-B-B.

Each L .40 M .30 S .20 Blts 8/.25.

DEEP VIOLET—78 Series

378 KALIF van BAGDAD (K & M) '51 EM. Clean deep blue violet. Throat and ribs a bit lighter. White pencil on lips. Extremely tall 70-inch plants, wiry stems, long heads.

Our ratings 86-B-B.

NET Prices, Each L .40 M .30 S .20
Blts 12/.25.

578 PFITZER'S SENSATION (Pfitzer) (our '54 import release) M. Clean, velvety deep blue violet, blending slightly lighter on upper petals, a bit deeper on lower, practically self color. 6-inch florets, 8-6-4-18 on heavy, tall plants. Vigorous grower and propagator.

F.C.C., Haarlem, A.M. by R.H.S. after Wisley trials, '52.

Our ratings 89-A-B.

NET Prices, Each M \$3.00.

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578 SALMAN'S SENSATION (Salman) (our '53 import release) LM. Clean, medium-deep blue violet, shaded deeper in lower throat and tinted lighter in upper throat. The tallest (70 inches) and largest (7 inches) blue extant, by a wide margin.

The plants are heavy, flowerheads long, stems wiry and stiff, access to cutting, bud separation and placement all very good. Opens well and most of the spikes we grew held 6-6-18 buds, though one held 8 open.

The variety makes our "whopper" spike list with ease.

O. S. G. S. (Ohio-Vt.) test ratings 87-A-A.

This variety sold like proverbial "hot cakes" last season.

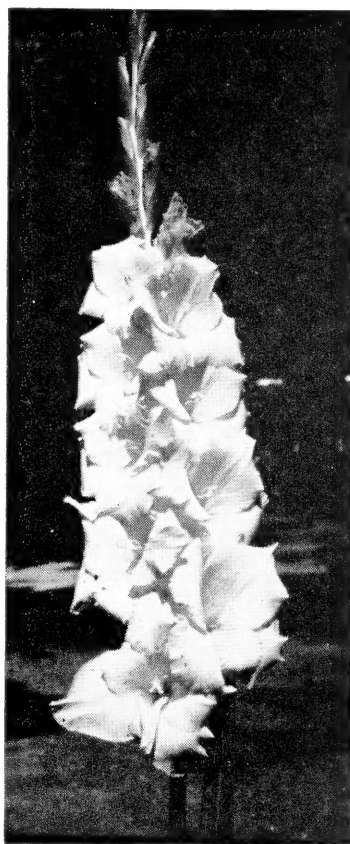
Its best win, '53, grand champion at Pa. (Pittsburgh) by Clifford D. Buell.

Each L \$1.50 M \$1.25 S \$1.00.

278 TEHAMA (Diener) E. A small glad with 2½-3-inch florets. Up to 8 open and 16 buds. Two things make it remarkable and outstanding. First its color is deep blue violet and it has won many awards for us in past years for "nearest to true blue." Second, it is about the only full double row placement glad in the entire small decorative classification and its hybridizing value may be good accordingly. Propagation is medium to poor, but makes very healthy bulbs. Stock is extremely limited.

Each M .75 S .50 Blts 5/.50.

478 WEDGEWOOD (K & M) (our '52 import release) M. Named in Holland at least in '47, if not before, so a change of name seems impossible to differentiate it from Fischer's Wedgewood, a 366 classification. K & M's Wedgewood is the closest to true blue we have found in gladiolus. The color is deep and lively and has a small white dart. We all expect faults in what we call "blue" gladiolus and we have some minor ones here. The flowerheads are a bit short for its tall stems. K & M claim it can do some crooking but we have been growing it three years under widely varying conditions, still waiting for it to crook, so when and if it does we expect



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it to be in but a very small percentage of the spikes. Plants and bulbs look healthy and stay healthy and propagation and commercial habits appear very good. You will enthuse over its color, much better blue than that of *Pelegrina* and *Abu Hassan* and the florets are larger, as well.

Vy ratings, in 1949 report under title "Varieties Previously Tested" (page 16 of our 1950 catalog) gave Wedgewood (K & M) an overall rating of B in '47 and corroborated with another B in '48. We would rate its color about 90.

NET Prices, Each L .50 M .35 S .20
Blts 5/.25.

SMOKY—80 Series

483 **HI JINKS** (Cassebeer-Bork) (our '53 co-introduction) VE. A clean smoky with a clear, creamy white throat. More specifically, the outer three petals are rosy toned, blending to a smoky violet edge. The inner 3 petals brownish salmon with prominent, clean, creamy white throat. This color combination is both unusual and interesting. The spikes come early, are tall. The florets flare wide open and the O.S.G.S. (Ohio-Vermont) '52 test gardens recorded 5-inch florets, 6-6-5-17 buds, a color value of 88 which is very high for smokies, a B exhibition and B commercial ratings.

Each L \$1.50 M \$1.25 S \$1.00
Blts 5/.75.

480 **TAN GLO** (Arenius) (our '54 co-introduction) LM. Clear pastel tan with smoky rosy tint. 5¼-inch florets, 8-11 open, 22-24 buds, 28-30-inch flowerheads, 60-inch height. Healthy grower and fast propagator. Consistent producer of excellent show caliber spikes.

'52 seedling and grand champion, Glen Falls, N. Y.

'53 seedling champion, Conn. Also 5 spike seedling champion, Binghamton.

Our ratings 88-A-A.

See illustration on front cover.

NET Prices, Each L or M or S \$3.00.

Unit 1 bulb and 10 bulblets, \$6.00.

582 **TUNIA'S WIZARD** (Both) (our '48 import release) M. Smoky plum rose, orange scarlet throat. Official South Australia society reports of 10½-inch diameter. 8¾ inches official at Tri State (East Liverpool, Ohio). 8-inch florets had with relative ease. 18 bud spikes with as many as 9 open, mostly maintaining 1st floret size 6 or more up the spike.

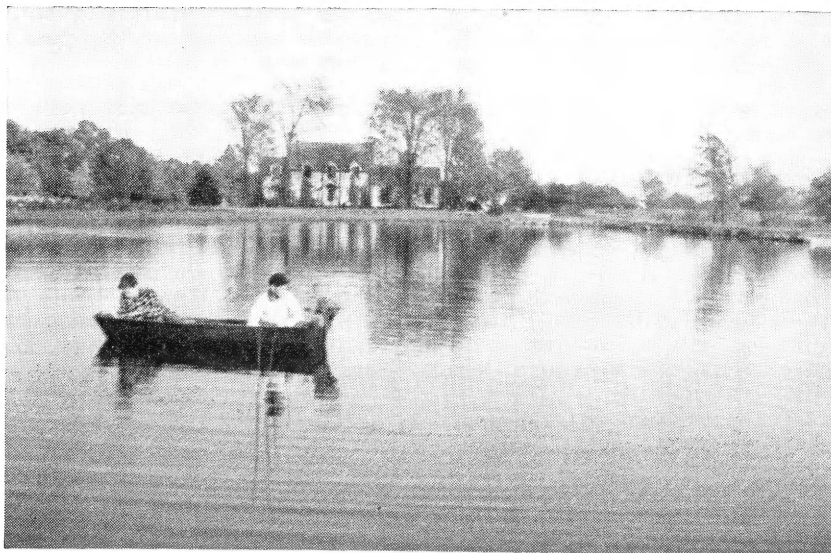
No other glad comes within a country mile of its floret size.

Good habits and propagation but bulbs have twice oversold since we first listed it, causing withdrawals to propagate.

Valleevue trials from No. 4 bulbs produced 8¾-inch blooms.

Vv test ratings 84-B-B.

NET Prices, Each L .50 M .35 S. 15
Blts (5/.20) (100/\$3.).



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Scene at the Evans Farm.

Cutting Spikes of King Size for the Ohio Show.